



STAYING IN TOUCH...
HAPPENINGS WITHIN OUR
COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Steve's Corner

I first want to thank the many who did amazing work to prepare us and launch us into Lent. The booklet we created has many offerings of events and spiritual practices to go along with our Rooted and Grounded theme and the sermon series on the Lord's Prayer.

The season of Lent has in the history of the church been a season to prepare for baptism around Easter. We will have a baptismal service this year in April. Two of our young people have expressed their desire to be baptized, and if you are interested in being baptized let me know!

This week's sermon on The Lord's Prayer is on Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. I am focusing on the "on-earthness" of the prayers. So the title is "Your Kingdom Come Your Will Be Done On Earth."

When I was growing up we never talked about the kingdom of God though it was the main theme of Jesus's preaching band ministry. Rather we focused on "eternal life"—which meant almost always getting into heaven and escaping hell. So I will help us ponder the meaning of the kingdom of God today.

And I will talk about The Will Of God, which is so often attached to tragedies and used in ways, while well-meaning, bring pain. What is the nature of the Will of God? The texts are Matthew 6:10; Mark 1: 14-15; Luke 12: 32; Luke 17: 20-21 and Matthew 13: 44-46. There's a lot to think about here. 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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The week of March 9-15, 2025

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Our friends on homebound:
Clara Rogers.

Those issues close to us:
Nancy Milstead family,
Gina's family, Brenda Swicegood family, Andrew Koontz family,
Billy Adams,
Jim Cashdollar, Flooding in the Midwest, Paul's family,
All those affected by Hurricane Helene,
Rebecca Beaver, 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.

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

Celebrations:

Birthdays

9 - Donn Wardo
 10 - John Marshall
 10 - Terry Hamby
 13 - David Rogers

Carrilea Hall was voted in as our Interim Pastor. She will start in May.

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.

Teresa Commander, Janice's friend who is in Palliative care.

Shakira will have a bone marrow transplant..

Government workers and others with job instability.

Johnny Marshall.

Those on disability.

Kim's friend, Ursula.

Bob's friend, Susan, has bone cancer in her jaw.

River was in a wreck.

March Birthdays

- 5 - Zoe McMillan
- 6 - Brittain Nicholson Kenney
- 7 - Gina DeLong
- 9 - Donn Wardo
- 10 - John Marshall
- 10 - Terry Hamby
- 13 - David Rogers
- 17 - Louise Grose
- 21 - Ben Adams
- 26 - Jet Tosco
- 28 - Lisa Wardo
- 31 - Sam Scott



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

Budget

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Needed year to date: \$19,920.00
Received year to date: \$18,856.91
UNDER budget: \$1063.09
Weekly needs: \$1,992.00
This Week's Offering: \$3382.10



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.

*Upcoming events:

March 23rd. 5:30pm
Pot Luck with discussion.
Topic: Media

Save the date:
Spring Clean-up days
March 28th, 5pm-whenever and
Saturday, March 29th from
9am-12pm.

Church Maintenance
Salisbury/McKinney

Scripture for the Week

Matthew 6:10

Sermon

“Your Kingdom Come Your Will Be Done On Earth.”

Leader

Andora Nicholson

Reader

Readers Choir

Mission Board News

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.

Ways to be with the community

Every Monday people can meet at Haven Coffee shop, downtown Statesville.
8:00am to 9:00am.

