



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

Carrilea's Corner

In a world where we juggle countless commitments and belong to many groups, what makes belonging to Grace Baptist Church unique? What draws us here and keeps us coming back? What does it look and feel like to belong?



And when it is rescheduled we will gather for our special church retreat to reflect on what belonging means—to God, to one another, and to our wider community—and to dream together about what belonging to Grace Baptist can look like in 2025.

This is an opportunity to share your thoughts, help shape the year ahead, and explore how Grace Baptist can continue to be a community that nurtures and inspires us all.

This is my first Grace Baptist retreat, and I look forward to learning more about what it means to belong to Grace!



See you there soon!

Calendar

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

Contact us at gracestatesville@gmail.com or visit us at www.gracestatesville.org.

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Our friends on homebound:
Nancy Milstead,
Clara Rogers.

Those issues close to us:
All those affected by Hurricane Helene, James, Shakira, Rebecca Beaver, 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.

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

Celebrations:

Birthdays

7 - Elijah Brown
9 - Maya Hall

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 affected by Hurricane Helene.

Lisa Brantley Onley family.

Gay's sister, Brenda.

JJ's moving to Blacksburg, Va.

Lauren Berryhill is traveling from India to Paris.



The week of January 5-11, 2025

January Birthdays

- 1 - Aubrey Shoemaker
- 1 - Stephen Chesnut
- 7 - Elijah Brown
- 9 - Maya Hall
- 12 - Tipton and Ezra Tosco
- 13 - Carole Hendrix
- 16 - Worth E Williams II
- 18 - Jon Christian Comer



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: \$1992.00
Received year to date: \$1735.00
UNDER budget: \$257.00
Weekly needs: \$1,992.00
This Week's Offering: \$1735.00



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.

*Upcoming events:

**Church Retreat
Will be rescheduled due to inclement weather!
6:00pm to 8:30pm
Soup!!!**

**Church Maintenance
Shoemaker/Scanlan**

Scripture for the Week

Hebrew 10:24-25

Sermon

"Can't Go it Alone"

Leader

Doug Hendrix

Reader

Hollace Scanlan

Mission Board News

This year's Advent offering will support The Back@Home program with Fifth Street Ministries. This program attempts to get people into permanent housing quickly, sometimes even bypassing staying at the shelter. Of course, this means the families need almost anything to set up a household.

We will stay quite specific in our Advent offering. We'll be collecting sheets, towels, and kitchen supplies, along with cash, to support this program. For the purposes of this offering we will only accept New items.