

The Celebration of Worship



Grace
Baptist CHURCH
July 28, 2024

Season of Grace

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

The Congregational Opening

"This Is My Story"

*This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long:
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.*

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: We gather here, where God would teach us

People: to be more compassionate, to be more loving.

Leader: We gather here, where Jesus would teach us

**People: the wisdom to choose forgiveness over holding a grudge,
the language of hope so we may speak to all.**

Leader: We gather here, where God imparts wisdom

**All: so we might know how to share grace,
so we would learn to welcome all in this place.**

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise

"Great Creator God, You Call Us"
(Insert v.1,2,3)

The Offertory

The Prayers of the People

The Scripture Lesson

Matthew 18:23-35

The Choral Meditation

"Faithful Shepherd"

Words of Grace

"Parable of the Unforgiving Servant"

*The Congregational Benediction

"Go Now In Peace"

*Go now in peace; go now in peace.
May the love of God surround you
everywhere, everywhere you may go.*

*Benediction

*Postlude

**All who are able, please stand*

Announcements

*Our summer schedule will run through the end of August.
Worship only at 10:00am with no Sunday School.
We will occasionally have Talkback.

*Our Noisy offering is next Sunday. The first Sunday of the month.

*Monday, August 12th, is the next Shelter Supper.

We serve the families with children and resident staff at 5:00 and the other guests at 5:30.
Please try to arrive between 4:45 and 5:00 to prepare. We are always finished by 6:00.

Birthdays

30 - Kate Bradley Simpson
August 1 - Landon Johns

Anniversaries

30 - John and Linda Marshall
August 1 - Chris and Leigh Brown

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

*Our friends on homebound:
Nancy Milstead & Clara Rogers*

Those issues close to us:

Susie Wiberg family, Billy Harbille, Gay Park, Christian Viera family, Darren &Tia, James, Shakira, Jennifer Jolly's mother, Janna's mom, Walter Arreaza, Al Fraley, Louise's brother, Jack, Bailey's friend, Nikki Crawford, Middle East crisis, Sharon Westbrook, Regina Shumaker, Rebecca, Lucas Watt and family, Iredell Statesville Schools students and staff, Kirky Kirkman, Amber Jordan and family, People of Cuba, Kim Christman and Stan Dotson, peoples of the Ukraine, Cameron Gray, Spencer Cox, 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:

Josh Wingfield, James Pulliam, Mark Staley, Adam Ivey, Austin Frutig, Anthony Corcoran, Kelso Igano, Zach Thompson, Caleb Sisk.

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Nicholson/Davis

August 11 - Wardo

August 18 - Angell

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$57,333.00
Received year to date: \$56,936.78
UNDER budget: \$396.22
Weekly needs: \$1,977.00
This Week's Offering: \$775.00



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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

Pastor: Steve Shoemaker

Music Director: LeAnda Barnard

Secretary: Lisa Wardo

Church Musician: Nichole Tilley

Boards

Cabinet: Neal Grose

Deacon: Phyllis Rogers

Mission: Kim McKinney

Education: Linda Marshall

Stewardship: Carole Hendrix/Jen DeLong

Worship: Doug Hendrix

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, David Comer, Doug Hendrix, Renae Keesbury, Phyllis Rogers, Randy Berryhill).

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.

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