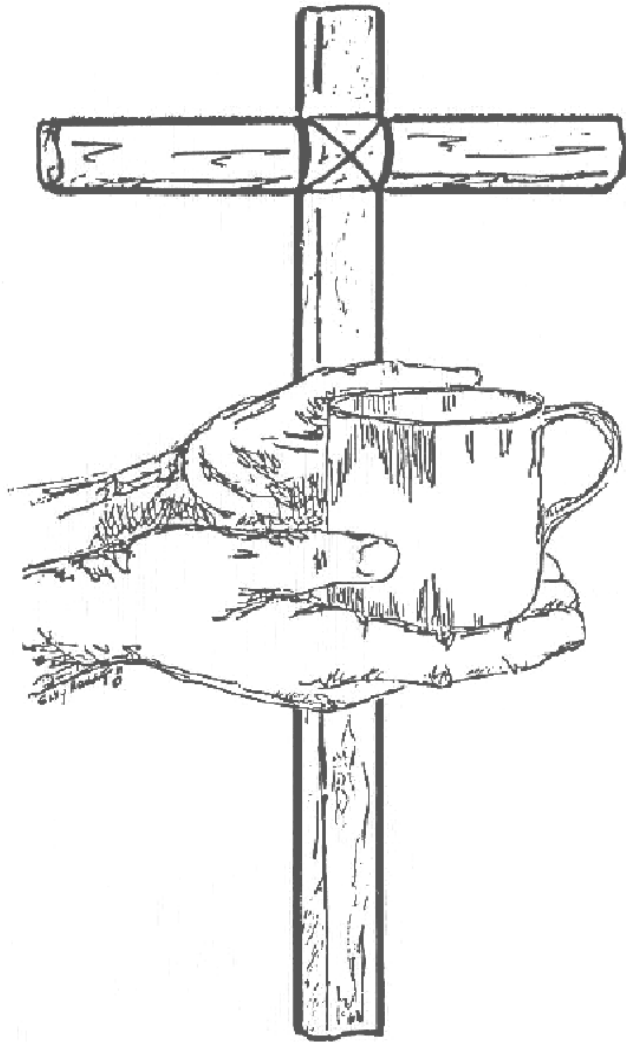


The Celebration of Worship



Community of Grace
May 28, 2023

The Welcome and Announcements

Call Into Silence

The Prelude

The Choral Opening

"I Will Extol Thee"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

People: And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

Leader: And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting upon them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

People: Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem devout Jews from every nation. And at the sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

Leader: And they were amazed and wondered,

"How is it that we hear each of us in our own language?"

People: And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.

Leader: And your young shall see visions, and your old shall dream dreams.

People: Thanks be to our God who is the Spirit!

(adapted from Acts 2)

*The Invocation

*Hymn of Praise

"Let Every Christian Pray"
No. 261 (v. all)

The Offertory

The Prayers of the People

The Scripture Lesson

2 Corinthians 3: 4-6, 17-18

The Choral Meditation

"Come, Holy Spirit, Still My Heart"

Words of Grace

"Transformation and the Spirit."

*Hymn of Reflection

"Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove"
No. 281 (v. all)

*Benediction

*The Choral Benediction

"May The Road Rise To Meet You"

*Postlude

*All who are able, please stand

Announcements

***Season of Grace begins Next Sunday, June 4th.**

This starts our summer schedule which will run through the end of August.

Worship only at 10:00am with no Sunday School.

Grits and Grace Potluck breakfast on the 4th will begin at 8:30am, with a guest Speaker, Leigh Ann Darty from the Hospice Rainbow Kids Program at 9:00am,

Bring your favorite breakfast dish/item to share.

Worship at 10:00am.

***Plans are beginning for the 5th Street fundraiser, Christmas in July.**

Stay tuned for more info.

***Davis Lectures 2023**

Save the Date!

October 8-9.

Dr. Bill Leonard, renowned American church historian will be the guest lecturer.

Birthdays

28 - Ava Tilley

28 - Forrest Adams

31 - Jennifer Nicholson

31 - Taylor Berryhill

Anniversaries

1 - Randy and Janice Berryhill

3 - Steve and Sue Shoemaker

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

Our friends on homebound:

Sarah Adams, Nancy Milstead, Tressie Starrette

Those issues close to us:

Kim McKinney's brother, Peggy Brendle, Kelly Daspit, Cindy Johnson,

Will Fanjoy, Jennifer Martin, Eli Jordan, Gina Starrette, Michelle Rokes, Autumn Harris,

Iredell Statesville Schools students and staff, Christian Viera, Bill Warren, Gina Ellis, People of Cuba,

Kim Christman and Stan Dotson, Marian Archibald, Ray Smith, Clara Rogers, Jennifer Martin, Vera Webster,

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,

Mary Jane Johnson, Caleb Sisk, Brian Saxton, 30th Brigade.

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Hamby/Hurst

June 4 - Corcoran/Nicholson

June 11- Hendrix

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$42,798.00

Received year to date: \$37,723.00

UNDER budget: \$5075.00

Weekly needs: \$2038.00

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

Secretary: Lisa Wardo

Music Director: LeAnda Barnard

Church Musician: Nichole Tilley

Boards

Cabinet: John Barnard

Deacon: Louise Grose

Mission: Kim McKinney

Stewardship: Carole Hendrix

Education: Linda Marshall

Worship: Doug Hendrix

WELCOME TO ALL who have chosen to worship with us today. We pray that your being present will bring joy and peace and presence of God to you.

You are welcome to be a participant in the church activities at Grace.

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 church member.

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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