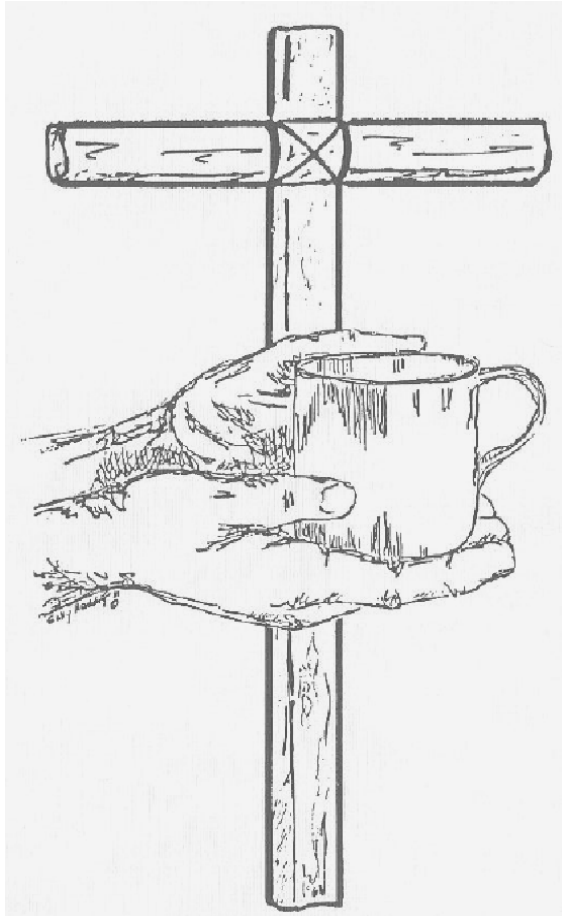


The Celebration of Worship



Community of Grace
Season of Grace
September 18, 2022

"HERE WE WALK"

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Choral Opening

"Praise to God In the Highest Heaven"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not your harm, to give you a future and a hope.

People: Then when you come to me and pray to me I will hear you, when you search for me you will find me.

Leader: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness, when Israel sought for rest, the Lord appeared to them from far away.

People: I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I continue my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built.

Leader: "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."
(From Jeremiah 29 and 31 and Luke 12:32)

*Invocation

Piano Meditation with gathering of offering

Nichole Tilley

Prayers of the People

Community Reflection

The Choral Meditation

"If You Seek Me, You Will Find Me"

Meditation/Reflection

*Benediction

*The Choral Benediction

"Share the Joy"

*Postlude

**All who are able, please stand*

Announcements

Davis Lectures is BACK!! October 2, 2022

7:00-8:30pm

With DR. Jonathan L. Walton

Dr. Walton is currently the Dean of the School of Divinity at Wake Forest University. Trained as a social ethicist focusing on evangelical Christianity, Dr. Walton's work and insights have been featured in several national and international news outlets.

Lecture Topic: "The Misery of Merit"

Dr. Walton's topic is based on Luke 5:1-11 which tells the story of Jesus' calling of the first disciples. He will also preach at the 10am worship service.

*The Peace training is next Friday, September 23rd.

Dinner at 5:30pm with training starting at 6:30pm.

*Our Season of Grace offering

will be The Foundry House which is an 8 month residential recovery program that gives men coming out of incarceration a chance for recovery and re-entry.

Birthdays

18 - Jordan West Barker

18 - Sydney Koppelmeyer Steele

23 - Ian McMillan

Anniversaries

19 - Forrest and Layne Adams

20 - David and Janice Comer

20 - Neal and Louise Grose

21 - Stephen and Emma Chesnut

24 - Terry and Diane Hamby

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

Our friends on homebound:

Sarah Adams, Nancy Milstead, Tressie Starrette, Irene Shoemaker.

Those issues close to us:

Mrs. Pinkie Smith family, Anita Enoch family, Tara and son, Bryson, Jennifer Grant,

Robin Rosenfeld, Stephanie Rouse, CJ Arnesen,

Janice's father, Bill, Hospice Staff, Rebecca Davis, Bill Mashburn, Crystal Weber, Debbie Laws, Benjamin,

Kirky Kirkman, Clara Rogers, Gary, Patti, and Paxton West, Vera Webster,

Coleman, Fran Pratt, 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, Jacob Taylor and Ethan Dowden, Justin Steele,

30th Brigade.

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Grose

October 2 - Comer

October 9 - D. Rogers

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$72,170.00

Received year to date: \$60,422.00

UNDER budget: \$11,748.00

Weekly needs: \$2062.00

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

Music Director: LeAnda Barnard

Secretary: Lisa Wardo

Church Musician: Nichole Tilley

Boards

Cabinet: John Barnard

Deacon: Brandon Tilley

Mission: Susie Wiberg

Education: Sue Shoemaker

Stewardship: Johnny Marshall

Worship: Nancy Davis

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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