



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

**Steve's Corner**

Hello Grace! This week I will preach on the most beloved of the Psalms: the 23rd Psalm. That Psalm and the Lord's Prayer are most probably the most recited of all passages of scripture. The 23rd Psalm is read at most funerals, but it is a Psalm that should attend all our days. It is preeminently a Psalm of Trust, trust being the deepest form of faith. It helps renew our trust in God as we read it. So let's read it together this Sunday!

The Gospel lesson is John 10: 14-16; 27-29.

Also, I'm sounding a last call for you to become part of one of our Boards. They are the Mission Board, the Education Board and the Board of Worship, and the Deacons. They need you and we need to help guide the ministries of the church. If interested call the chairs:

Susie Wiberg, Missions; Sue Shoemaker, Education; Nancy Davis, Worship and Brandon Tilly, Deacons.

There is also an important Committee that you may want to become part of. It is called the GIFT Committee. The acronym means: Grace In The Future Tense! It was begun about 15 years ago to help us imagine new ways of ministry, mission and outreach. If you are interested, contact the chair, Tom Wiberg.

Grace, peace, courage and love to you all, Steve

**Sermon Schedule Until Lent**

Bringing Our Whole Selves Before God:  
The Psalms As Our Prayerbook For 2022.

Jan. 23. "The Heavens Are Telling The Glory of God : A Psalm On Praise Of God's Creation and Word." Psalm 19: 1-10.

**Calendar**

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

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**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

*Our friends on homebound:*  
Tressie Starrette,  
Mary Jean Grose,  
Irene Shoemaker  
Sarah Adams, Nancy Milstead.

*Those issues close to us:*  
Barbara Robinson family,  
Brenda Joines family, Jo Salisbury's  
daughter, Alex and Isabelle,  
Lisa Bracken, Heather Weber,  
Jackie and Gabe Gabriel, Peggy  
Waugh, Jessica Pritchard,  
Fran Pratt, Teresa Bergandine  
Campbell, Glenda & Ray Jackson in  
Houston, Sean Abercrombie, 5 month  
old, River, Cameron Gray, Spencer  
Cox, Linda Sample, caregivers, and  
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.*

*In our community and in our world,  
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.

**NEW PRAYER REQUESTS**

*Celebrations:*

**Birthdays**

12 -Tipton and Ezra Tosco  
13 - Carole Hendrix

**Concerns:**

**Racial Healing.**  
**Our Nation.**

**Gary, Patti and Paxton West.**  
**Sheri's coworker, Ms. Carrie.**  
**Bridget's mother is in Assisted  
Living for Rehab.**

**Spencer Cox had a good  
report, cancer has shrunk  
from Chemo.**  
**Emma's friend, Stacey's son  
with Charge syndrome, was  
getting ready to have heart  
surgery and now the whole  
family has COVID.**

**Renee's nephew, Jeremy, with  
liver disease has been  
approved for a liver  
transplant.**

**Kenneth Davis has no  
evidence of cancer.**

**The week of January 9-15, 2022**

## January Birthdays

- 1 - Aubrey Shoemaker
- 1 - Stephen Chesnut
- 3 - Silas Donovan West
- 5 - Chris Shuford
- 8 - Georgia Theriot
- 12 - Tipton and Ezra Tosco
- 13 - Carole Hendrix
- 16 - Worth E Williams II
- 18 - Jon Christian Comer
- 23 - Paxton West
- 26 - Bryan Starrette
- 26 - Wes Johnson
- 27 - Harlan West
- 28 - Madysen West

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On Facebook and Youtube.  
You can easily find it at:  
[www.gracestatesville.org](http://www.gracestatesville.org)

## Budget

Needed year to date: \$4124.00  
Received year to date: \$1413.00  
UNDER budget: \$2711.00  
Weekly needs: \$2062.00

## Mission Moments (For our Advent Offering)

We raised \$725 for

The Khaled Hosseini Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides humanitarian relief and shelter to families, economic opportunity for women, and healthcare and education for children in Afghanistan.

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**Church Maintenance  
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## Scripture for the Week

Psalm 23  
John 10: 14-16; 27-29.

## Sunday's Sermon

"The Lord Is My Shepherd."  
A Psalm Of Trust.

## Leader

**Chris Brown**

## Reader

**Lisa Wardo**

## New Covenant Participants!!

**Being a Covenant Participant is open to all and allows folks to join in the life of Grace where they feel called. If you are interested in becoming a Grace Covenant Participant or would like more information, please speak to Steve or one of the deacons.**