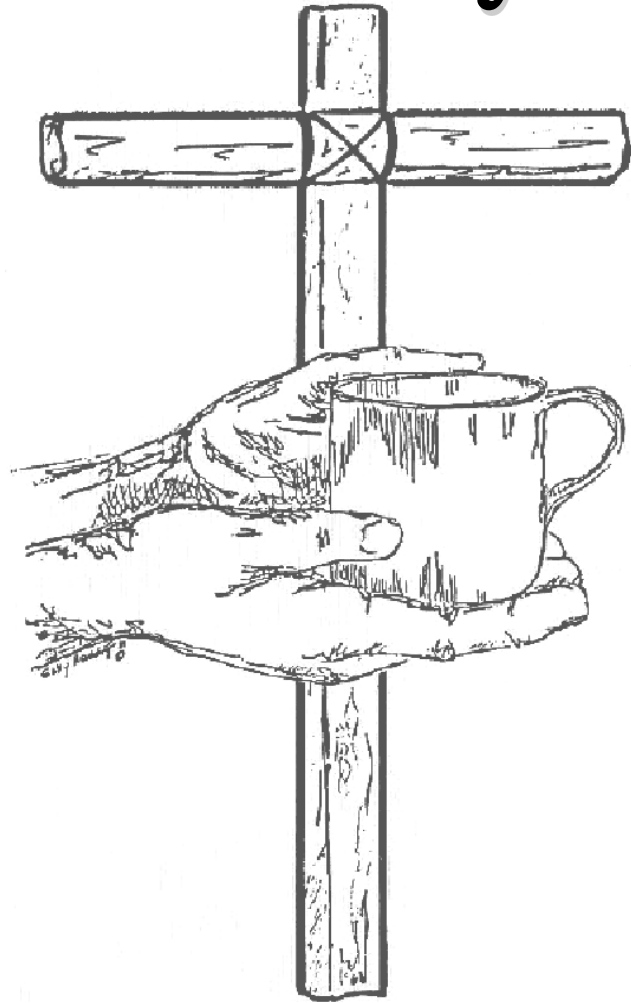


The Celebration of Worship



Community of Grace

November 24, 2024

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

The Choral Opening

"O Give Thanks"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: God, For all the ways you love us, we say,

People: Thank you!

Leader: For the ways you provide for us, we say

People: Thank you!

Leader: For joy, for laughter, for abundant blessings of every kind, we say,

People: Thank you!

Leader: Come, let us celebrate the wondrous gifts that God has given us.

People: May our hearts be truly grateful, and may we show our gratitude by the ways in which we live and care for others.

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise

"Come, O Thankful People, Come"
(Insert)

The Children's Moment

The Offertory

The Prayers of the People

The Gospel Lesson

John 18:33-37

The Choral Meditation

"With A Voice of Thanksgiving"

Words of Grace

"Christ the King"

Hymn of Reflection

"O God of Strength"
(Insert)

*Benediction

*The Choral Benediction

"For All the Blessings of the Year"

*Postlude

Announcements

***If you haven't already, please add a little info under your photo on the bulletin board on the back wall near the sound equipment. It can be where you volunteer or any other info you wish to share with visitors or newbies who haven't learned all our names.**

***Mark your Calendars for:**

**Our Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve service will be held at the
Congregation Emanuel this Wednesday, November 27th. 6pm
206 Kelly St. Statesville**

**Our Season of Advent begins December 1.
"Coming Home" is the theme.**

**Sunday, December 8th.
Fifth Street resident staff Christmas Dinner.
Covered Dish. 5:30pm**

Birthdays

*24 - Casey Adams
30 - Clara Rogers*

Anniversary

25 - Bob and Lisa Barber

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

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

Those issues close to us:

*All those affected by Hurricane Helene, Lisa McBroom,
James, Shakira, Kyle & Patricia, 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.

O God of Strength

O God of strength, whose purpose, never swerving,
shall make complete the work You have begun,
Grant us to join and work with all your children,
filled with your strength to see your will is done.

O Power of Peace, who brings to us good tid-ings,
teach us to speak your word of hope and cheer;
Rest for the soul, and strength for all our striving,
light for the path of life, your truth brought near.

O God, whose grace has called us to your ser-vice,
how good your thoughts toward us, how great their sum!

We work with you, we go where you will lead us,
un-til in all the earth your reign shall come.

Come, O Thankful People, Come

Come, O thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest come;

All is safely gathered in as the winter storms begin;

God, our Maker, does provide for our wants to be supplied;

Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

All the blessings of the field, all the stores the garden yield,

All the fruits in full supply, ripened 'neath the summer sky,

All that spring with bounteous hand scatters o'er the smiling land,

All that liberal autumn pours from its rich o'er flowing stores.

These to you, our God, we owe, source from whom all blessings flow;

And for these our songs we raise, grateful vows and solemn praise.

Come, then, thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;

Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

Church Maintenance
Before next Sunday - Comer
December 8 - D. Rogers
December 16 - Scouts

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$90,942.00
Received year to date: \$81,907.91
UNDER budget: \$9034.09
Weekly needs: \$1,977.00
This Week's Offering: \$1943.00



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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.

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