

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

June 15, 2025 Faces of Our Faith Season of Grace

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Congregational Opening “Celebrate”

*Celebrate, come celebrate.
Join in as God’s people in worship and singing.
Celebrate, come celebrate.
Rejoice as we witness God’s love.
In God’s love we are unified; by God’s grace we’ve grown.
Celebrate, come celebrate,
Praise God for we are God’s own.*

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all who hunger to hear God’s story.
People: We gather to remember the faces of our faith.
Leader: Some bold, some quiet. Some broken, some brave.
People: Each with a story. Each with a role.
Leader: Come, young and old. Come, certain and searching.
People: In this space, all stories are sacred.
**All: Let us worship the God who calls us—
each and every one—
to be part of the story still unfolding.**

*Invocation

*Hymn of Praise “Come Now Almighty God”
(No. 275 v.1,2,3)

Offertory

Prayers of the People

The Scripture Lesson 1 Corinthians 13

Words of Grace

The Sharing of Bread and Cup

*Everyone is invited to share in communion.
When you are finished, please form a circle around the sanctuary.
If you are not able to come forward, let a deacon know and the elements will be brought to you.*

*Benediction in Song “What Does the Lord Require”
*1st Group (repeat 4 times): What does the Lord require of you?
2nd Group (repeat 3 times): Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.
3rd Group (repeat 2 times): To seek justice and love kindness and walk
humbly with your God.*

*Postlude

**All who are able, please stand*

Announcements

We welcome Anne Herschler and Barbara Davidson as our Speakers today.

We are in the midst of our Season of Grace.
There will be no Sunday School during this season and worship will begin at 10am.

During the Season of Grace, artwork associated with the sermon will be displayed in worship for the congregation to interact with through meditation and prayer. For Father's Day on June 15, we would like to create a collage of photos of our "father figures", made up of pictures submitted by Grace folks. Please email your photo of a "father" who has inspired your faith to ndavis49@gmail.com by June 13.
(If you have a photo that can't be emailed, check with Nancy for alternatives.)

Our Special offering for the Season of Grace will go to **FLAR**.
Here is a list of items they need:

- New shoes- All sizes
- New Pajamas- All sizes
- New pacifiers
- New bottles
- New sippy cups
- New Journals for teens
- New Crib sheets

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays:

*20 - Eli Yacinthe
21 - David Bradley*

Anniversaries:

*15 - Doug and Carole Hendrix
18 - Bob and Susan Rawls*

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

*Our friends on homebound:
Clara Rogers.*

*Those issues close to us:
David Grose, Billy Adams, Jim Cashdollar, Those on disability,
Government workers and others with job instability, Diane Reynolds, Cathy Moore,
All those affected by Hurricane Helene, Rebecca Beaver, Alf Fraley,
Louise's brother, Jack, Middle East crisis, Lucas Watt and family, Cameron Gray, Spencer Cox,
Iredell Statesville Schools students and staff, Amber Jordan and family, 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*

Church Cleaning
Before next Sunday - Coarsey
June 29 - Lippard/Scott
July 6 - C. Brown

Flowers
Lisa Wardo

2025 BUDGET

Needed year to date: \$45,816.00
Received year to date: \$41,262.01
UNDER budget: \$4,553.99
Weekly needs: \$1,992.00
This Week's Offering: \$931.00

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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
Interim Pastor: Carrilea Hall
Secretary: Lisa Wardo
Music Director: LeAnda Barnard
Church Musician: Nichole Tilley