

# Tidings of Grace

May 1, 2026

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## *"It's Still Easter"*

It seems like Easter was forever ago, but in reality, it's still Easter Season. The Season of Easter begins with the resurrection of Jesus celebrated Easter Sunday (April 5) and continues for 50 days to Pentecost (May 24), the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. In the season of Easter, we celebrate new life, transformation, resurrection, and the power of God to overcome sin and death through the cross.

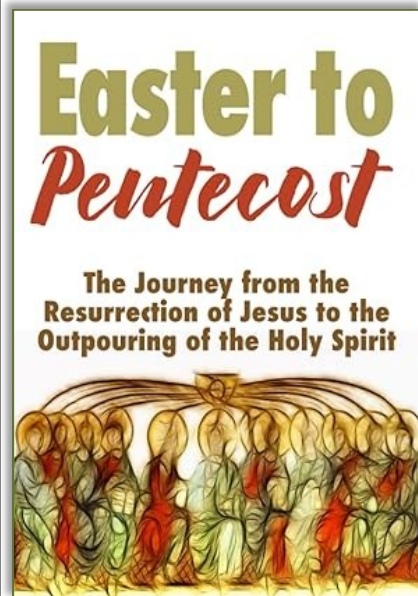
At Grace, we are in a season of new life. Transformation can be hard, as we let go and let God. This Easter Season, Rev. Patrick Taylor and the Way Team have increased programming and welcomed new people to Sunday lunch and worship. We celebrate that the Risen Jesus is at work through The Way. At the same time, we are missing some faces and families who are invested in this church plant. Our District Superintendent, Rev. Chris Lollis, and the incoming Senior Pastor, Rev. Terry Fleming, will be discussing next steps with Patrick, as the future of The Way as an independent church evolves. Grace can be proud of the seeds that were planted at The Way.

While we are missing some members, we are also welcoming new people to Grace. Every Sunday we have over a dozen visitors. Our Evangelism Committee, led by Susan Jordan, is committed to reaching new people through visitor gift bags, greeters and Frontline, new member classes, Third Thursday outreach, and presence at community and church events. The Risen Jesus is at work through our Evangelism Committee. In the month of April, Lifesong celebrated growth. We baptized a teenager, Alanah, and we welcomed a new member, Barbara Barnett, on Profession of Faith. In April, we also welcomed a new young adult member, Jonathan Sciance, at 8:30 service. (see new members, page 7).

God will continue to transform and create new ministry and reach new people through our faithfulness. New pastors, Rev. Terry Fleming and Rev. Jessica Kight, have visited with SPRC and our staff. They are gifted and will lead Grace into the future, which may look different than the past. Let us remember the words of Jesus, *"He also told them a parable: "No one tears a piece from a new garment and sews it on an old garment; otherwise, not only will one tear the new garment, but the piece from the new will not match the old garment. Similarly, no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins and will spill out, and the skins will be ruined. But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. And no one after drinking old wine desires new wine but says, 'The old is good.'"*

Luke 5:36-39

In Faith,  
*Cathy*



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### CHURCH WEBSITE:

[www.gotgraceumc.org](http://www.gotgraceumc.org)

*"To Know Christ and To Make His Love Known"*

Yolanda McCabe, Director of Children & Family Ministry / Contact: yolanda@gotgraceumc.org



# BLAST



Join us for Sparks Sunday School!

**Upper Level Asbury Building**  
9:45am—10:45am  
*(\*Please see temporary room changes)*

**NURSERY - UPPER LEVEL**  
\*Infants & Toddlers - Kindermusik 206

**PRESCHOOL - UPPER LEVEL**  
\*Potty Trained 3K - 5K - Class 208  
(1st Grade SS Classroom)

**ELEMENTARY**  
\*1st Grade - Class 210  
2nd Grade - Class 210  
3rd Grade - Class 207  
4th Grade - Class 209

Bible Learning And Spiritual Training

**Sunday Mornings during Worship**  
8:45, LifeSong Contemporary  
11:00, Traditional

BLAST (1ST-4TH), BLAST, Jr. (4k, 5k), Mini (2k, 3K)

*Let your children join us after the Children's Message during our LifeSong and 11:00 services*

**Activities for May:**

- 5/3 - Peter Heals (Acts 3:1-16)
- 5/10 - Lydia (Acts 16:9-15)
- 5/17 - Paul and Silas (Acts 16:16-40)
- 5/24 - Paul and the Philippians (Philippians 1:1-14)
- 5/31 - GYM for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

*The Bible in One Year  
"In the Beginning"*

Preschool and Elementary children

- 5/3 Ruth: God Gives Ruth & Naomi Friendship (1 Samuel 1:9-28)
- 5/10 1 Samuel: God Hears Hannah's Prayer for a son (1 Samuel 1:9-28)
- 5/17 1 Samuel: God Shows Samuel Who is King (1 Samuel 16:1-13)
- 5/24 - 1 Samuel: God Helps David Defeat Goliath (1 Samuel 17:1-51)
- 5/31 - 1 Samuel: God Helps Abigail Make Peace (1 Samuel 25:2-38)



CHILDREN'

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS YEAR!

YOUTH



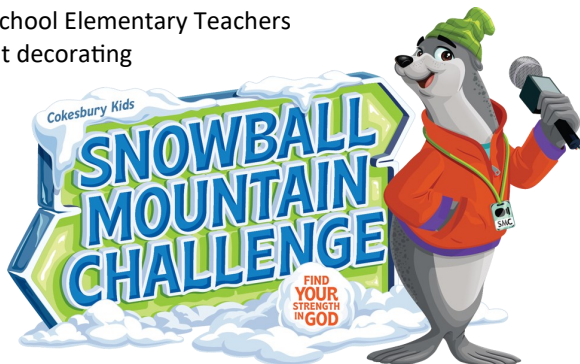
**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEEDS**

Kids Club after-school program is now hiring for the 2026-2027 school year. Must be at least 21 years, able to pass a background check, and complete safe sanctuary training.

**VBS to be held the week of June 15**  
Dates and details TBD

**VOLUNTEER NEEDS:**

- Sunday School Elementary Teachers
- VBS event decorating



**Sunday, May 10th from 9:45-10:45AM**  
**Mother's Day Bouquet Gift Workshop**



Celebrate Mother's Day with us in a creative way! Students are invited to join us during Sunday School to create a handmade bouquet for a mom or other special person in their life!

Register online by Wednesday, May 6th, so we can have enough supplies for everyone!



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL COMING SOON!**

VBS will be June 15-19 and youth volunteers are needed to help make sure all our campers have a great time!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN 05/03	<b>Carowinds Trip</b> 10AM - 8:30PM
SUN 05/10	<b>Mothers' Day</b> No Sunday Night Youth Group
SAT 05/16	<b>Serving @ CDC Ceiling Tile Removal</b> 9AM - 11AM
SUN 05/17	<b>What Does a Relationship With God Look Like?</b> 5:45PM - 7:30PM
SUN 05/24	<b>Memorial Day Weekend</b> Pink Dipper Meet-Up from 3:30PM - 4:30PM
SUN 05/31	<b>Graduate Recognition Sunday</b> Service at 11AM Traditional followed by Churchwide Celebration Lunch in Wesley Center

www.gotgraceumc.org/youth

GRACE STUDENT MINISTRY

### GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY—SUNDAY, MAY 31ST

If you know of a high school or college senior who would like to participate in this year's Graduate Recognition festivities, let Ms. Amber know!



Our Church Family is invited to join the celebration by joining us for lunch after the Graduate Recognition Service! Look for registration information coming soon! We look forward to the CELEBRATION!

Youth Director: Amber Forrest, [amber@gotgraceumc.org](mailto:amber@gotgraceumc.org)

### Grace Music Departments



**Blessings**  
from Sanctuary Music!

### May is here with new musical opportunities!

**This Friday**, Dr. Nathaniel Gumbs of NYC offers a *free organ recital at Reid Memorial Presbyterian in Augusta*. The recital begins at 7 p.m. on May 1<sup>st</sup> and will be an occasion you do not want to miss!

As we explore Psalms in our Bible Year journey, our music will come from these texts and the life of David. This past Sunday, Larianna Goss eloquently delivered "As the Deer" (Psalm 42) and this upcoming Sunday we will hear Herbert Howells's strikingly beautiful "King David" sung by Washington Holmes, and Mendelssohn's adaptation of Psalm 85. *King David* illustrates David's sorrow and his inspiration by a nightingale to give words to his melancholy.

**On May 10th** our Chancel Choir will be joined by students from NA High's orchestra program for our anthem, "*Come Flood this Heart of Mine.*"

You will also hear settings of Psalm 51 and Psalm 8 throughout the month of May.

**We hope you enjoy this special journey through music!**



### THANK YOU MEDIA TECH VOLUNTEERS!

*The Lifesong Committee and Congregation are extremely grateful to our volunteer media tech team!*



Jay, Jenn, Katie and Amanda serve the Lord in roles out of the spotlight and off stage that sometimes go unnoticed. Their hard work behind the scenes helps create a welcoming, meaningful worship experience for everyone who walks through our doors or joins us online. Their attention to detail and servant-hearted spirit support our church's mission to know Jesus and to make His love known.

Without them, it would be dark, we wouldn't have lyrics displayed to sing, and we would lack the engaging visuals that help to improve the quality of our services. *If you see them today, let them know how much you appreciate them!*

**Would like to volunteer or become a team member of our Contemporary LifeSong Service, then please contact**

**Wednesday Inspiration Nights at Grace (WINGS)**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Earlier start time for meals beginning March 11!

**WINGS Dinners Served from \*5:15PM—6:10PM**  
 Doors open at \*5:00PM; Meal begins at 5:15PM  
 Wesley Center Auditorium

Our weekly fellowship meal (followed by programs for all ages) are a great way to meet other *People of Grace*...and get out of cooking dinner for your family!

**Cost: \$8/adult\*\* and \$6/kids (10 & under)**

*Payments can be made when registering on Realm Connect or in-person (cash/check/card).*

**Please register for dinners by the Monday before at 12PM in one of the following ways:**

- Realm Connect App or at onrealm.org/GotGraceUMC
- Complete a LIME GREEN Registration Card during worship (place in offering plate)
- Register online at [www.gotgraceumc.org/wings](http://www.gotgraceumc.org/wings)
- Call Church Office (803-279-7525)

*We appreciate your cooperation in paying for meals that you register for, as food is ordered in advance based on registration numbers.*



**WINGS Meal Schedules**

(Each meal comes with dessert)

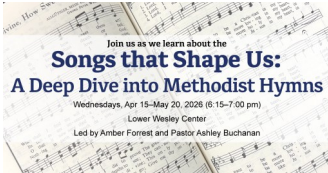
\*\*Shut-In Meal dates

- \*\*May 6** - Taco Pie, Cilantro Life Rice, Corn Salad, Black Beans, Tortillas & Chips  
*Kids' Menu : Same*
- May 13** - Hamburger Steak w/ onion gravy, Green Beans Cream Style Corn, Rolls  
*Kids' Menu : Pizza*
- \*\*May 20** - Chicken Cordon Blue Casserole, Roasted Vegetables, Salad, Rolls  
*Kids' Menu: Chicken Tenders*

**WINGS Wednesday Programs:**

During the Easter season, we have two wonderful class offerings that both look at our Methodist history from two very different angles:

- **Songs that Shape Us: A Deep Dive into Methodist Hymns**



In this class, led by Amber Forrest and Pastor Ashley, we will take a look at songs from the vast songbook of our Methodist past. Both John and Charles Wesley were prolific hymn writers, using familiar tunes to teach deep understandings about the love and grace of God. The song study will also coincide with the Psalms in the Bible Year.

- **Rooted Methodism: When Our Faith Intersects with Culture**



In this class, led by Heather Vaught and a series of special guests, we will learn more about how Methodism has intersected — and continues to intersect — with American culture, from its colonial beginnings to our denomination.



Help us close out this year's WINGS programming with our **WINGS Hymn Sing on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>** (6:15-7PM in the Sanctuary).

Bring a friend and join us after supper for an evening of making a joyful noise to the Lord!



**The UMM Meal & Program**  
**6:30PM**  
 in the Wesley Center  
**Tuesday, May 19**  
**Speaker: TBD**

“The purpose of United Methodist Men (UMM) is to help men grow in Christ, so others may know Christ, acting as a creative, supportive fellowship that fosters spiritual growth, models servant leadership, and encourages daily discipleship. They aim to declare the centrality of Christ in men's lives and support the church's mission”

**President:** Richard Thomas  
[rich.thomas757@gmail.com](mailto:rich.thomas757@gmail.com)



We invite all women of Grace to join us as we share God's love through prayer and fellowship...

**Women of Grace (WOG) President:** Carolyn Dickson  
 Contact: [cjdickson@bellsouth.net](mailto:cjdickson@bellsouth.net)

**Susanna Wesley Circle**  
 1st Sunday @ 6PM in Asbury Building  
 Contact: Michele Chiswell

**Florrie Derrick Circle**  
 3rd Monday @ 10AM in Youth Wing  
 Contact: Carolyn Dickson, Mary Jane Wisenbaker

**Knox-Wilhelm Circle**  
 3rd Monday @ 1:30PM in Asbury Mtg., room (was Journey SS)  
 Contacts: Ann Comer, Dawn Porter

**Sunshine Circle**  
 3rd Tuesday @ 10AM in 5th Grace Class (Asbury Building)  
 Contacts: Sue Lotspeich and Sheran Proctor



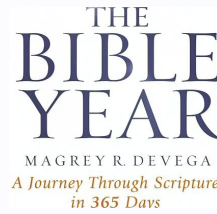
...and through church and local mission projects.  
 We welcome new members!

Happenings Around Adult Ministries

Weekly Groups

**The Bible Year Updates - God's Favorite Playlist**

In May, we will be reading through the Psalms. The Psalms are the songs ancient Israel used to worship God—formally and informally, as assemblies and as individuals. The Psalter is divided into five books, each with a wide collection of authors, that speak to the wide range of emotions within the human experience.



**There are several ways to engage with The Bible Year at Grace:**

- On our [www.gotgraceumc.org/the-bible-year](http://www.gotgraceumc.org/the-bible-year) webpage, there are several resources for each book: videos, articles, visuals, etc. We hope you'll check it out!
- Join us for extra supports and discussion on our "The Bible Year at Grace" Facebook Group.
- Be a part of the discussion in our Sunday morning "The Bible Year" class (in the lower Wesley Center, located next to the restrooms).

**May bookmarks are available in the church office and in our worship spaces!**

**Celebrating our New Lay Servants—  
Sunday, May 10th**

On Mother's Day, we will be honoring all of our new lay servants and those who have participated in a course at our Spring School. We are excited to share that many of our new lay servants have decided to begin assisting in worship as liturgists! Be on the look-out for some fresh faces on stage or at the lectern!



*Picture of Greenwood District's Spring Lay Servant Ministry School participants—see if you can spot some familiar faces! (Josh Kauffman, Mark Sandars, Chris Vande-Stouwe)*

*Adult Sunday School Classes*

- Cokesbury...LWC
- Experiencing God...LWC
- Family Foundations...LWC
- Journey...LWC (new location!)
- Seekers...LWC
- Stillwell...LWC
- The Bible Year Discussion Group...LWC
- Women of Faith...LWC
- Young Adults...UWC

*Upper Wesley Center (UWC)  
Lower Wesley Center (LWC)*

**For Leader contact info, visit  
[www.gotgraceumc.org/adults](http://www.gotgraceumc.org/adults).**

Want to start a new Sunday School Class or Small Group? Let us help you share the news!

**[amber@gotgraceumc.org](mailto:amber@gotgraceumc.org)**

*Small Groups*

Mondays

- Wisdom of the Ages (11AM)
- Happy Ukes (6PM)

Tuesdays (\*Seasonal groups)

- \*Ladies' Bible Study (9:30AM)
- Shuffle & Deal Card Group (1PM)

Wednesdays (\*Seasonal groups)

- Wednesday Morning Breakfast Crew (8:30AM), Sunrise Grill
- \*Men's Upper Room (9:45AM)
- \*Upper Room Encouragers (10AM)
- Bridge Group (12:30PM)
- \*Bible Study (6:15 PM)
- \*GriefShare (6:15PM)
- \*Misfits (6:15PM)

Thursdays

- Bridge Group (9:30AM)
- Ladies' Book Club (1st Thur. @ 1:30PM)
- Caring & Sharing (6PM)
- The Way Small Group (6:30PM)

**The CHOSEN**

**Season 5 Discussion Group begins  
Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30PM in Asbury Chapel**

- "Entry" - Tuesday, May 26
- "House of Cards" - Tuesday, June 2
- "Woes" - Tuesday, June 9
- "The Same Coin" - **Thursday**, June 18
- "Because of Me" - Tuesday, June 23
- "Reunions" - Tuesday, June 30
- "The Upper Room, Part 1" - Tuesday, July 7
- "The Upper Room, Part 2" - Tuesday, July 14

**AARP Smart Driver Course**

Wednesday, May 13  
from 10AM—2PM

To register, call Karen Patterson at 803-671-0321.



**Deacon Ministry Update**

I am pleased to report that Bishop Fairley has appointment me to remain at Grace for the coming year! As always, I am thankful for the continued opportunity to serve my church family. - Amber Forrest, Director of Adult and Youth Ministries

**Charge Conference:** Tuesday, May 12 **Commissioning:** Sunday, June 7



Rev. Ashley Buchanan, Associate Pastor of Nurture & Missions (abuchanan@gotgraceumc.org)



# SAVE THE DATE

See graphic on pg. 8 to register!

## May Prime Time:

Tuesday, May 19, 11:30, Wesley Center

### From Tomato Fields to Center Stage:

Jane is living proof that a sense of humor paired with heart, faith, and authenticity can take you places!

Jane returns to Grace and has written a new book and included her friend, Beverly Blevins, as a character in the book, *Beach Trip: Laugh, Lies and a Dash of Divine*.



When it comes to credentials, Jane stands shoulder-to-shoulder with legends. She is a Speaker Hall of Fame™ inductee, a Certified Speaking Professional, and a member of the Legends of Speaking—an honor shared with icons such as Ronald Reagan and the late General Colin L. Powell. What event planners appreciate most, however, is her ability to captivate a room, combining wisdom, humor, and authenticity in a way that feels effortless and genuine.

Through original stories and practical takeaways, Jane helps audiences communicate better, lead with heart, and find calm in the chaos.”

## EPWORTH IS CELEBRATES 130 YEARS!

This year, Epworth Children’s Home proudly celebrates 130 years of serving children and families across South Carolina. For more than a century, Epworth has remained committed to providing care, guidance, and hope to those who need it most.



Join us on May 30th as we honor this remarkable milestone with food, fun, games, and entertainment for all ages. We look forward to celebrating our history and the bright future ahead.

For more information on this exciting celebration and to purchase tickets, visit <http://friendsofepworth.org/may-on-millwood/>

*Thank you for being part of the Epworth story. Together, we continue a legacy of hope 130 years in the making.*



**Our Family Promise week is May 31st through June 6th.**

We are looking for volunteers to provide a meal for each evening to be delivered to the Family Promise house. Please contact Kay Poss at 803-221-5369 if you would like to help with this wonderful mission opportunity!

## Rev. Patrick Taylor, Associate Pastor of Evangelism & Discipleship (ptaylor@gotgraceumc.org)

**Worship @ The Way has begun!** We are enjoying our shared meal together and the relaxed worship services after, getting to know God & one another better. Next week, May 10, we begin a worship series focused on the core practices of the Church and how we experience them at The Way. We will explore the Church’s inception and the movements of Sunday worship, including music, prayer, eucharist, and more. Come learn by doing, participating in the grace of God!



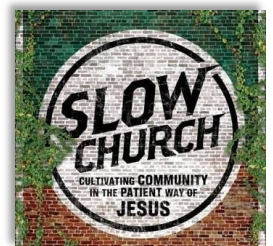
### Thursday Nights:

This past three weeks of sharing meaningful ways God finds & speaks to us were lively and meaningful times of sharing! Coming soon on Thursdays, we are announcing **Slow Church!** *Fast food. Fast cars. Fast and furious. Fast forward. Fast . . . church?*



The church is often idealized (or demonized) as the last bastion of a bygone era, dragging our feet as we’re pulled into new moralities and new spiritualities. We guard our doctrine and our piety with great vigilance. But we often fail to notice how quickly we’re capitulating, in the structures and practices of our churches, to a culture of unreflective speed, dehumanizing efficiency and dis-integrating isolationism.

In the beginning, the church ate together, traveled together and shared in all facets of life. Centered as they were on Jesus, these seemingly mundane activities took on their own significance in the mission of God. In Slow Church, Chris Smith and John Pattison invite us to leave franchise faith behind and enter into the ecology, economy and ethics of the kingdom of God, where people know each other well and love one another as Christ loved the church.



*We promise to uphold Grace with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness*

**OUR PRAYERS:** as of April 29, 2026

**Discharged:** Tom Dorn, Patsy Miller, Forrest McKie, Carol Stewart, Jenn Waller

**April Sympathies to:** Jennifer Morris and Heather (Tim) Coughenour in the death of their mother, Cynthia Gordon, who passed to eternal life on April 8.  
Jewel Napier in the death of her brother, Luther "Chuck" Renew. He passed to eternal life April 18.

**Births:** *Bowen Daniel Shaw*, son of Andrew & Stacey Shaw of Simpsonville, SC and grandson of Kevin & Terri Scaggs. Bowen was born on April 10, 2026.  
*Ryles David Mayson*, son of Andrew & Kristyn Mayson was born on April 18 in Charleston. Grandparents are Lynn Mayson and Wendall Mayson. Great-grandparents are Linda Mayson and John & Lal Younginer

**Brookdale:** Judy McDonald, Jean Gambill

**Hammond Square:** Verna Garrison, Ginny Stewart

**NHC NA:** Betty DeBeare, Billy Watson  
James (Jim) Brooks, uncle of Chris Brooks

**Claiborne, Martinez:** Hope Williams

**Oaks at Habersham, Savannah:** Connie Sawyer

**Sterling Estates, Marietta:** CJ Bigger

**Prayer Needs:** Bill Anderson, Sara Anderson, Jim Benton, Nancy Childers (May 14 surgery), Wendy Ealey (daughter-in-law of Lynn Ealey), Rose & Philip Grabowski, Barbara Graybill (sister of Beverly Blevins), Damon Haley, Faye Jowers, Julie Kerr (mother of Kelsey Shull), Shirley Lankford, Judy Murphy, Bobby Oliver, Marianna Simmons, Dave Varn, Mary Ann Wilson, Pam Windley, Beth Ann Young

**OUR GIFTS:** Month to Date Revenues and Expenses through 4/26/26

**Month to date Revenues:** \$71,229.82  
**Month to date Expenses:** \$63,500.19  
**Net:** \$7,729.63

**Year to date Revenues:** \$379,033.75  
**Year to date Expenses:** \$365,336.55  
**Net:** \$13,697.20

**OUR SERVICE: May Sunday Greeters (11:00):**

**May 3:** Christy & Lark Jones  
**May 10:** Horace Sweat & Wayne Kunze  
**May 17:** Deborah Kunze & Judy Pierce  
**May 24:** Danny & Guwan Creeden  
**May 31:** Sonja Grant & Terry Billiter

**OUR WITNESS:** How will you be a witness in the world this week?

**OUR GIFTS: APRIL 5, 12, 19, 26**

**IN MEMORY OF:**

**Cynthia Gordon**  
(General Budget) Pat & Emory Bowen  
(Women of Faith) Dick & Harriett Day, Carol Corley, Vicky Millians, Mary Jane Wisenbaker

**Brian Hensley, son of Wandra Hensley**  
(General Budget) Mary Jane Wisenbaker

**Chuck Renew, brother of Jewel Napier**  
(General Budget) Jane Street

**Bobbye Rushton**  
(General Budget) Mary Jane Wisenbaker

**Bob Sweeney**  
(General Budget) Dave & Carleen Benjamin, Rob & Barbara Graybill

**Ted Thompson**  
(Choir) Sandra Travis  
(CMONA) Barry & Bev Whitney  
(General Budget) Bruce & Betty Wilson

**John Wise, father of Carol Taylor and grandfather of Patrick Taylor**  
(Choir) Phyllis Clark  
(The Way) Sandra Travis

**IN HONOR OF:**

**Ray Griffin & Ram Ministry**  
(Ramp Fund) John & Lal Younginer

**John Younginer**  
(Ramp Fund) Family Foundations

**Jennifer Lawrence's mother**  
(General Budget) John & Kay Bridges

*Welcome*  
New Members

**Alanah Ravenel-Burnside** was baptized at LifeSong service on April 12. She is the daughter of Jazmin Henderson and step-daughter of Adam Henderson. She is also the niece of Derek and Kate Lafont, who is Adam's sister. Alanah is active in Grace Youth.



"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:

The old has gone,  
*the new is here!*

2 Corinthians 5:17



**Jonathan Science** joined at 8:30 service on April 19. He transferred his membership from Wesley Grace UMC in Norfolk, Virginia, where he had been active as a musician, SPRC member, VBS volunteer and involved in biblical theater.

**Barbara Barnett** joined on Profession of Faith at LifeSong service on April 26. Barbara's family, the Dunaways, have deep roots at Grace, and her family came to Grace when she was a young child.

Her fellowship friend are Lynne Pinson and Shereen Ferguson.



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## May Meetings

**Please Note:** \*Asbury Mtg., room (was Journey SS class)

- **Women of Grace Executive** May 3, 4PM, Asbury Mtg., room
- **Susanna Wesley Circle**, May 3, 6PM, Asbury Mtg., room
- **Trustees Mtg.**, May 4, 6PM, Asbury Mtg., room
- **Staff Mtg.**, May 5 & 19, 9:30AM, Conference room
- **RECing Crew Awards Ceremony**, May 5, 6PM, Wesley Center
- **Finance Mtg.**, May 11, 6PM, Asbury Mtg., room
- **Church Council Mtg.**, May 12, Youth Wing
- **RECing Crew Jazzercise**, May 13, 4:30PM, Curly's Court Gym
- **SPRC Mtg.**, May 17, 4PM, Conference room
- **Prime Time**, May 19, 11:30 Wesley Center
- **Youth Ministry Council**, May 21, 4:30PM, Youth Wing
- **Grace at 3rd Thursday**, May 21, 5:30, Cavalier's Coffeehouse
- **Graduation Sunday**, May 31, 11AM, Sanctuary

\*Please look in Newsletter for other small groups & events.

**Church Calendar:** <https://www.gotgraceumc.org/calendar>

## Grace United Methodist Church

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**Email:** [info@gotgraceumc.org](mailto:info@gotgraceumc.org)

**Website:** [www.gotgraceumc.org](http://www.gotgraceumc.org)

**Child Development Center:** 803-279-7528

**After Hours "on-call" # for Grace Pastors**  
 803-376-9310

**Hospital Visitation & Pastoral Care:**

M/Th: Cathy, T/W: Ashley, F: Patrick

**Weekend:** Pastoral Rotation Schedule

### GRACE STAFF

Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson, Senior Pastor  
 Rev. Ashley Buchanan, Associate Pastor  
 Rev. Patrick Taylor, Associate Pastor  
 Dr. John M. Newell, III, Support Pastor  
 Dr. John M. Younginer, Jr., Pastor Emeritus  
 Emily Mumford, Business Administrator  
 Karen Bach Mays, Administrative Assistant  
 Chris Leysath, Director of Music Ministries  
 Michael Keltz, Director of Contemporary Worship  
 Amber Forrest, Director of Adult & Youth Ministries  
 Yolanda McCabe, Director of Children and Family Ministries  
 Dana Lykins, CDC Director; Linda Dollar, CDC Finance  
 Nancy Payne, Kitchen Manager  
 Thomas Wall, Media Technician  
 Mary Chris Newell, Director of Kindermusik

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## HIGHLIGHTS



Join us for Dinner at Your Pie after your walk! (around 7/7:15PM)

**YOUR PIE**

**Downtown Prayer Walk**

Thursday, May 7  
 6:00PM  
 Gathering at Asbury Bldg.  
 Front Steps  
 WEATHER PERMITTING!!

Contact: [amber@gotgraceumc.org](mailto:amber@gotgraceumc.org)



**AARP**  
 Smart Driver Course  
 Wednesday, May 13th  
 10AM-2PM  
 \*Youth Wing  
 (\*location change)  
 Lower Level of Sanctuary

Call Karen Patterson at (803-671-0821) to register!



**ALL HANDS ON DECK!**  
 Grace Child Development Center needs your help!

Friday, May 15th, 12-3 & Saturday, May 16th 9-12  
 Work Days to Remove Ceiling Tile

Let Dana know you can help: at (803)279-7528 or emailing at [danalykins@gotgraceumc.org](mailto:danalykins@gotgraceumc.org).

**THANK YOU**

Grace CDC



**Prime Time**  
 Grace UMC Adult Ministry for those 55+

**Humorist/Speaker Jane Jenkins Herlong**

**Tomato Fields to Center Stage**  
 Experience the Humor and Inspiration of Jane Jenkins Herlong, a Speaker Hall of Fame™ inductee.  
 (Her new book, "Beach Trip; Laugh, lies and a Dash of Divine", includes Beverly Blevins, as Bertie, from their college days!)

\* Back to Regular Starting Time 11:30AM

REGISTER FOR PRIME TIME NOW!

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**TUESDAY, MAY 19** Great fellowship, lots of laughs, and fun you don't want to miss. **11:30AM WESLEY CENTER**