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Grace Staff

Grace has an after hours "On-Call" number for our Grace Pastoral Staff. Anyone with a pastoral care crisis can call this number and get a pastor. The number is (803) 376-9310.

WEEK AT A GLANCE AT GRACE	
SUN., Nov. 30 <u>Worship Services:</u> 8:30 & 11:00, Traditional, Sanctuary 8:45, Contemporary Wesley Center	8:45am - Kids BLAST & BLAST, Jr, Asbury Bldg., Children’s Wing 9:45am - Sunday School for all ages, Church Campus 11:00am - Kids BLAST & BLAST, Jr, Asbury Bldg., Children’s Wing 2:00pm - RTB Costume Fitting, Wesley Center
MON., Dec. 1	8:30am - CDC (Mon—Fri), Child Dev. Center Wing 8:30am - CDC Program Practice, Sanctuary 9:15am - Jazzercise (M, W, F, Sa); 6:15pm (Tu, Th) Curly’s Court Gym 11:00am - Wisdom of the Ages, Conference room 6:30pm - Grace Happy Ukes, Conference room
TUES., Dec. 2	8:30am - CDC Program Practice, Sanctuary 9:30am - 12:30pm Pickleball, (T, Th) Curly’s Court gym 9:30am - Staff Mtg., Conference room 9:30am - Ladies Bible Study, Journey SS class 1:00pm - Shuffle & Deal Small Group, Youth Wing 6:30pm - United Methodist Men (UMM) Meal & Program, Wesley Center
WED., Dec. 3 <u>Looking Ahead:</u> WINGS Kick-Off Night “Lifted” Worship January 14	8:30am - Wednesday Morning Breakfast Crew, Sunrise Grill 10:00am - Upper Room Encouragers, Journey SS class 10:00am - Men’s Upper Room Fellowship, Conference room 12:30pm - Prime Time Bridge, Church Parlor 5:00pm - RTB Costume Fitting, Wesley Center 6:15pm - GriefShare, Wesley Center 7:30pm - GriefShare Final Ceremony, Asbury Chapel 6:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary Choir room 7:00pm - Praise Band Rehearsal, Wesley Center
THURS., Dec. 4	8:30am - CDC Program Practice, Sanctuary 9:30am - Earthside Eden Mom & Me classes, Asbury rm. 206 12:00pm - Stillwell class party Wesley Center 6:00pm - Caring & Sharing Small Group, Lower level Wesley Center 6:30pm - “Surviving the Holidays,” at The WAY, 417 Randall Rd.
FRI., Dec. 5	8:30am - CDC Program Practice, Sanctuary
Sat., Dec. 6	9am - 5pm RTB (Return to Bethlehem) Workday, RTB Field



Altar Flowers for

November 23, 2025

The Thanksgiving altar decoration are placed in gratitude to God for His many blessings.

Order Your Poinsettias NOW | \$13.50 each

In Memory or in Honor of a loved one



DEADLINE:

Tuesday, Dec. 8

Dec. 7: Last Sunday to order!

What we need to know:

• How many poinsettias

• In Honor of whom

• In Memory of whom

• Given by whom

• Displayed in which service: LifeSong or Traditional

Scan to Order then pay

(Link in form for payments.)



Living Our Vows

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

OUR PRAYERS:

Piedmont Hosp.:
Discharged:
Sympathy to:

Hospice:
Hammond Square:
NHC NA:

Claiborne, Martinez:
Oaks at Habersham, Savannah:
Sterling Estates, Marietta:

Washington Commons:

Prayer Needs:

as of November 26, 2025

Bob Young, Bobby Oliver
Mark Reagan, Dave Fauerby
Danny Creeden in the death of his mother, Sony Creeden, who passed to eternal life on Nov. 20.
Billy Watson, Henry Cribb
Ginny Stewart, Judy Cox
Don Smith, Jean Gambill, Billy Watson,
James (Jim) Brooks, uncle of Chris Brooks
Hope Williams
Connie Sawyer
CJ Bigger
Cynthia Gordon
Jim Benton, Philip Grabowskii, Damon Haley, Shirley Lankford, Bill Anderson, Bev Whitney, Emily Mumford, Deb & Rob Persons, Bobby Oliver, Beth Ann Young, Diane Banta, Jane Murdock, Faye Jowers, Pam Windley, Marianna Simmons, Dave Varn, Barbara Graybill
Barbara Wallenzine, sister-in-law of Angie Walton
Wendy Ealey, daughter-in-law of Lynn Ealey
Angela Ramsey, sister of Fifi Rogers

OUR PRESENCE:

Worship at Grace:

OUR GIFTS:

Month to date Revenues:
Month to date Expenses:
Net:
Balance in Prepaid Pledges :

November 23, 2025

8:30: 14 8:45: 80 11:00: 165

Revenues through Nov. 23

Year to date Revenues: \$1,089,823.09
Year to date Expenses: \$1,159,080.05
Net: (\$69,256.96)

Giving





The pledge update is as follows: 139 pledges for a total of \$868,452.00

Please scan the QR Code to our Grace Website, then go down to **Supporting Grace** where you can: Make a pledge, Make a General Budget Gift or See Grace Ministries by the Numbers.



OUR SERVICE:

Crucifer:
Acolytes:
Count Team:

November 23, 2025

TBD
TBD
Diana Roy, John Clark

Sunday Greeters (11:00):

Nov. 30:
Dec. 7:
Dec. 14:

Galan & Johnny Potter
Horace Sweat, Cindy Fuller
Todd Holgate, Kay Bridges

OUR WITNESS:

How will you be a witness in the world this week?



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November 30, 2025

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son

John 3:16



Love

“Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!”

Luke 1:14



Peace

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory

John 1:14



Christ

And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth.

Luke 1:14



Joy

For You are my hope, O Lord God

Psalms 71:5



Hope

“The First Sunday of Advent”

Celebrating Worship



Grace United Methodist Church

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.



RTB Costume Fitting

NOV. 30, DEC. 3 & 7



Sundays. & Wed. for Costume Fittings:

Nov. 30 and Dec. 7: 2 - 4PM
Dec. 3: 5 - 7PM

Sat. Times for RTB Work Day:

(Help us complete the Village!)

Dec. 6: 9AM - 5PM

“To Know Christ and To Make His Love Known”

8:30 a.m. Traditional, Sanctuary

THE CHURCH GATHERS

PreludeBarbara Seaborn, piano

Welcome & AnnouncementsRev. Patrick Taylor

♦ Passing of the PeaceRev. Patrick Taylor

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Call to WorshipRev. Ashley Buchanan

Leader: A voice cries out:
“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,

People: make straight in the desert a highway for our God.”

(BOW #241, Isaiah 40:3)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Reading: Isaiah 60:2-3 NRSV

For darkness shall cover the earth and thick darkness the peoples, but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope. May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvation. O come, O come, Emmanuel.

BOW #262

Opening Prayer (in unison)UMH 201

Rev. Ashley Buchanan

Hymn of PraiseCome Thou Long Expected JesusUMH 196

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament LessonMicah 5:1-4Rev. Ashley Buchanan

(Pew Bible OT p. 671)

♦ Hymn of PreparationEmmanuel, EmmanuelUMH 204

Gospel LessonLuke: 1:26b-37Rev. Patrick Taylor

(Pew Bible NT p. 43)

Sermon“Nothing Is Impossible with God ”Rev. Patrick Taylor

Pastoral Prayer, Lord’s PrayerRev. Ashley Buchanan

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

OfferingRev. Ashley Buchanan

OffertoryBarbara Seaborn

♦ DoxologyPraise God, from Whom all Blessings FlowUMH 95

♦ Affirmation of FaithApostles’ CreedUMH 881

Rev. Ashley Buchanan

TO GO FORTH IN SERVICE

♦ Hymn of CommitmentAway in a MangerUMH 217

♦ BenedictionRev. Ashley Buchanan

♦ Please stand as you are able

Accompanist:
Barbara Seaborn, piano

Reference key:
BOW-Book of Worship
TFWS-The Faith We Sing
UMH-United Methodist Hymnal

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome & AnnouncementsRev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson

VoluntaryWake, Awake! by Paul ManzChristopher Leysath, organ

♦ Chiming of the Trinity (Please stand when chiming begins)

♦ Call to WorshipRev. Ashley Buchanan

Leader: A voice cries out:
"In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
People: make straight in the desert a highway for our God."
(BOW #241, Isaiah 40:3)

♦ Processional HymnCome Thou Long Expected JesusUMH 196

♦ Passing of the PeaceRev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Lighting of the Advent WreathHal Seymour and Gillian Gregory

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and thick darkness the peoples,
but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope.
May the light sent from God shine in the darkness
to show us the way of salvation.
O come, O come,
Emmanuel.

BOW #262

Opening Prayer (in unison)UMH 201
Rev. Ashley Buchanan

Children's TimeKatie Piggott
(Children may come forward if comfortable, then they will be dismissed to go to BLAST/BLAST Jr.)

AnthemWhere the Promise Shines by Moore & RaneyChancel Choir

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament LessonMicah 5:1-4
(Pew Bible OT p. 671)Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson

Pastoral Prayer, Lord's PrayerRev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson

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(Pew Bible NT p.43)Rev. Patrick Taylor

Sermon"Nothing Is Impossible with God "Rev. Patrick Taylor

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offering

Rev. Ashley Buchanan

Offertory

Adagio on "Hyfrodol" by Charles Callahan

Christopher Leysath, organ

♦ Advent Doxology (to the tune of O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

♦ Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

Rev. Ashley Buchanan

TO GO FORTH IN SERVICE

♦ Hymn of Commitment

Away in a Manger

UMH 217

♦ Benediction

Rev. Patrick Taylor

♦ Choral Benediction

Hail to the Lord's Anointed - Verse 1

Hail to the Lord's Anointed,

Great David's greater Son!

Hail, in the time appointed,

His reign on earth begun!

He comes to break oppression,

To set the captive free;

To take away transgression,

And rule in equity.

♦ Please stand as you are able

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Surviving the Holidays

A service of grief & hope for those who need it

Thurs. Dec. 4th 6:30pm @ The Way: 417 Randall Rd.

WELCOME TO GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

We are blessed by your presence today and encourage you to please sign the attendance pad.

We invite you to all activities, which you may find on our website and Facebook. We offer new member classes for those interested in learning more about Christian faith, baptism, and becoming a part of our faith community. Go to <https://gotgraceumc.org/im-new> or scan the QR code.

Need help today, text Visitor to 833-235-9706.

For questions about joining our church, please contact Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson at cjamieson@gotgraceumc.org, (803) 279-7525, ext. 203.

Do you have children?

* A nursery for infants through 3-year-olds is in the Child Development Center, Asbury Building.

* A mother's room is available inside the Wesley Center, across from the parlor and inside the Sanctuary Bride's room/Mother's room off the main Narthex/foyer.

* BLAST and BLAST Jr. classes are in the Asbury Building, Children's Wing, 1st and 2nd Grade SS classrooms.

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