

## Grace United Methodist Ministers & Program Staff

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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	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	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.



Disclaimer: Please be advised we video / photograph our services.

## Living Our Vows

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

**OUR PRAYERS:** as of November 26, 2025

**Piedmont Hosp.:** Bob Young, Bobby Oliver

**Discharged:** Mark Reagan, Dave Fauerby

**Sympathy to:** Danny Creeden in the death of his mother, Sony Creeden, who passed to eternal life on Nov. 20.

**Hospice:** Billy Watson, Henry Cribb

**Hammond Square:** Ginny Stewart, Judy Cox

**NHC NA:** Don Smith, Jean Gambill, Billy Watson, James (Jim) Brooks, uncle of Chris Brooks

**Claiborne, Martinez:** Hope Williams

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

**Sterling Estates, Marietta:** CJ Bigger

**Washington Commons:** Cynthia Gordon

**Prayer Needs:** Jim Benton, Philip Grabowski, 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:** November 23, 2025

**Worship at Grace:** 8:30: 14 8:45: 80 11:00: 165

**OUR GIFTS:** Revenues through Nov. 23

Month to date Revenues: \$93,985.00 Year to date Revenues: \$1,089,823.09

Month to date Expenses: \$71,359.29 Year to date Expenses: \$1,159,080.05

Net: \$22,625.71 Net: (\$69,256.96)

Balance in Prepaid Pledges : \$14,950



### Grace Stewardship Campaign

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:**

November 23, 2025

**Sunday Greeters (11:00):**

**Crucifer:** TBD

**Nov. 30:** Galan & Johnny Potter

**Acolytes:** TBD

**Dec. 7:** Horace Sweat, Cindy Fuller

**Count Team:** Diana Roy, John Clark

**Dec. 14:** 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

"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"  
Luke 1:14

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory  
John 1:14

And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth.  
Luke 1:14

For You are my hope, O Lord God  
Psalm 71:5



"The First Sunday of Advent"

## Celebrating Worship



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

<b>Prelude</b>	Barbara Seaborn, piano
<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b>	Rev. Patrick Taylor
♦ <b>Passing of the Peace</b>	Rev. Patrick Taylor
Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.	
People: And also with you.	
<b>Call to Worship</b>	Rev. Ashley Buchanan
Leader: A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,	
People: <b>make straight in the desert a highway for our God."</b>	(BOW #241, Isaiah 40:3)
<b>Lighting of the Advent Wreath</b>	
<b>Reading:</b> 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.	
<i>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.</i>	BOW #262
<b>Opening Prayer (in unison)</b>	UMH 201
	Rev. Ashley Buchanan
<b>Hymn of Praise</b>	<i>Come Thou Long Expected Jesus</i>
	UMH 196
<b><u>TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD</u></b>	
<b>Old Testament Lesson</b>	Micah 5:1-4 (Pew Bible OT p. 671)
Rev. Ashley Buchanan	
♦ <b>Hymn of Preparation</b>	<i>Emmanuel, Emmanuel</i>
	UMH 204
<b>Gospel Lesson</b>	Luke: 1:26b-37 (Pew Bible NT p. 43)
Rev. Patrick Taylor	
<b>Sermon</b>	"Nothing Is Impossible with God "
Rev. Patrick Taylor	
<b>Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer</b>	Rev. Ashley Buchanan
<b><u>TO RESPOND IN FAITH</u></b>	
<b>Offering</b>	Rev. Ashley Buchanan
<b>Offertory</b>	Barbara Seaborn
♦ <b>Doxology</b>	<i>Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow</i>
	UMH 95
♦ <b>Affirmation of Faith</b>	<i>Apostles' Creed</i>
	UMH 881
Rev. Ashley Buchanan	
<b><u>TO GO FORTH IN SERVICE</u></b>	
♦ <b>Hymn of Commitment</b>	<i>Away in a Manger</i>
	UMH 217
♦ <b>Benediction</b>	
♦ <b>Please stand as you are able</b>	
<b>Accompanist:</b>	
Barbara Seaborn, piano	
<b>Reference key:</b> BOW-Book of Worship TFWS-The Faith We Sing UMH-United Methodist Hymnal	

## 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

### THE CHURCH GATHERS

<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b>	Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson
<b>Voluntary</b>	<i>Wake, Awake! by Paul Manz</i>
	Christopher Leysath, organ
♦ <b>Chiming of the Trinity</b>	<i>(Please stand when chiming begins)</i>
♦ <b>Call to Worship</b>	Rev. Ashley Buchanan
Leader: A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,	
People: <b>make straight in the desert a highway for our God."</b>	(BOW #241, Isaiah 40:3)
♦ <b>Processional Hymn</b>	<i>Come Thou Long Expected Jesus</i>
	UMH 196
♦ <b>Passing of the Peace</b>	Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson
Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.	
People: And also with you.	
<b>Lighting of the Advent Wreath</b>	Hal Seymour and Gillian Gregory
<b>Reading:</b> Isaiah 60:2-3 NRSV	
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Nations shall come to your light and kings to the brightness of your dawn.	
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<b>Opening Prayer (in unison)</b>	UMH 201
	Rev. Ashley Buchanan
<b>Children's Time</b>	Katie Piggott
<i>(Children may come forward if comfortable, then they will be dismissed to go to BLAST/BLAST Jr.)</i>	
<b>Anthem</b>	<i>Where the Promise Shines</i> by Moore & Raney
	Chancel Choir
<b><u>TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD</u></b>	
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♦ <b>Please stand as you are able</b>	

## 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

### TO RESPOND IN FAITH

<b>Offering</b>	Rev. Ashley Buchanan
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>Adagio on "Hyfrodol"</i> by Charles Callahan
	Christopher Leysath, organ
♦ <b>Advent Doxology</b>	(to the tune of O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)
	<i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'ly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!</i>
♦ <b>Affirmation of Faith</b>	Apostles' Creed
	UMH 881

### TO GO FORTH IN SERVICE

♦ <b>Hymn of Commitment</b>	<i>Away in a Manger</i>
♦ <b>Benediction</b>	UMH 217
♦ <b>Choral Benediction</b>	<i>Hail to the Lord's Anointed - Verse 1</i>
	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.
♦ <b>Please stand as you are able</b>	Music used by permission: Church Copyright License No. 1133262



### 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](mailto: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.