



## Welcome to Grace Baptist Church

The Grace Church family welcomes our guests today. As a guest, you are invited to register your presence today on the 'Encouragement Pad' as it is passed during the service. Our desire is to simply get to know you as well as share what God is doing through Grace Baptist Church.

### THIS WEEK @ GRACE

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Steve Coker (843) 617-3398

#### SUNDAY, January 4

Morning Fellowship (coffee, snacks, etc. available in the CLC)

Bible Study Groups for all ages

Morning Worship

9:30 am

10:30 am

Nursery available for infants on the Children's Wing

Kids Worship (Preschool - 5th Grade dismissed after Children's Sermon)

#### MONDAY, January 5 (Ezra 4:1-5)

#### TUESDAY, January 6 (Ezra 4:24 - 5:2)

#### WEDNESDAY, January 7 (Ezra 5:3 -17)

Grace 242 Meal & Fellowship

Grace Worship Choir Rehearsal

6:30 pm

7:30 pm

#### THURSDAY, January 8 (Ezra 6:1-15)

Men's Study Group @ Long Grain Restaurant

Good News Club @ Delmae Elementary

6:15 am

2:30 pm

#### FRIDAY, January 9 (Ezra 6:16 - 22)

#### SATURDAY, January 10 (Psalm 20)

*The scripture references listed above correlate to the church's Bible Study passage in The Gospel Project. You are encouraged to read and reflect on each passage this week while asking God to speak to you.*

### FOLLOW GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH



@ Grace Baptist Church (Florence, SC)



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### GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH OFFICE

Hours: Monday - Thursday (8:30 am - 1:00 pm)

Phone: 843.662.5122

Email: [gracebaptistch@bellsouth.net](mailto:gracebaptistch@bellsouth.net)

### You Can Join the Grace Baptist Church Family In One of the Following Ways

**\*By profession of your trust in Jesus followed by baptism.**

**\*By baptism.** If you have previously made a public profession of your trust in Jesus but have not followed Jesus in baptism. (We practice immersion.)

**\*By statement.** If you have previously made a public profession of your trust in Jesus and have followed Him in baptism (by immersion) but do not belong to a Baptist church.

**\*By transfer from another Baptist church.** We will write to request your letter of membership.

*For more information about your desire to join Grace Baptist Church please fill out the "Worship Registration" form on the website or call the church office and schedule time to talk with the pastor.*

## Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the fellowship of believers,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.



# Grace Baptist Church

*We're making disciples who love the Lord, love one another and love the lost.*

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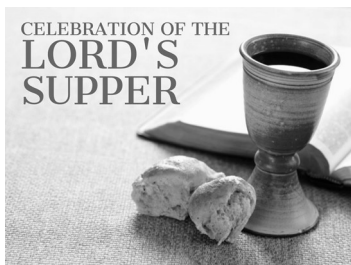
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John M. Collins, Pastor - (843) 687-5298

Matt Sims, Worship Leader - Ryan Taylor, Ministry Intern

January 4, 2026



Today, the Grace Church family will worship by participating in the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby baptized believers, through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer (Jesus) and anticipate His second coming. The Lord's Supper is a time to reflect and remember Jesus' death on the cross as the final payment for one's sins.

### *A Reflection of Preparation for Receiving the Lord's Supper*

*Come to this sacred table, not because you must,*

*But because you may;*

*Come not to testify to your righteousness,*

*But that you sincerely love our Lord Jesus Christ and desire  
to be His true disciple;*

*Come not because your goodness gives you a right to come,*

*But because in your frailty and sin you stand in need of  
heaven's mercy and help;*

*Come because you love the Lord a little and want to love Him more;*

*Come because He loved you and gave Himself for you;*

*Lift up your hearts, above your cares and fears;*

*Let this bread and wine be a sign of God's grace to you and a pledge  
of your love to the Lord Christ;*

*Receive the love of God and consecrate your life afresh to Christian  
obedience and service, to discover and do the will of God in  
humble faith.*

*Adapted from Winward and Cox, Worship Manual*

### **BLESSING BOX**

A "Blessing Box" is located in the GBC parking lot as a ministry to individuals who find themselves in need. The cabinet is stocked with non-perishable food items and other practical items. If you would like to donate items here is a suggested list: Food Items: canned goods with pop tops, dried beans & rice, non-perishable snacks & meat. Non-Food Items: socks, gloves, hats, toiletries (travel size) and menstrual supplies. You can simply place donated items in the Blessing Box or bring to the church office. For more information about the Blessing Box ministry please contact Mary Sanderson (843) 409-2821.



### **Church-wide Fellowship Meal**

Wednesday, January 7, 6:30 pm

#### MENU

Soup, grilled cheese sandwich, desert and drink

The cost of the meal is \$5.00 for adults (12 & older),  
\$3.00 for children (ages 3-11) or a maximum of \$20.00 per family.

**Reservations needed by Tuesday, January 6th.** To make reservations call or email Laura, 843-662-5122 or [gracebaptistflorence@gmail.com](mailto:gracebaptistflorence@gmail.com).

### **LOVE OFFERING TODAY FOR BENEVOLENCE MINISTRY**

Following the Morning Worship Service ushers will be stationed at the exit doors to receive today's love offering for GBC's Benevolence Ministry which provides Resources to assist individuals and families within the church and community in times of crisis and need. Please give as the Lord has blessed you to give.



**Grace Student Ministry**

Engaging Students Grades 6-12 with Jesus

BIBLE STUDY - Sundays @ 9:30 am  
YOUTH GROUP - Wed. @ 6:30 pm



If you received a Lottie Moon "mission bank" for international missions, please return at your earliest convenience.

### **GBC OFFERING ENVELOPES**

The church office provides personalized offering envelopes for your convenience. If you would like a packet of envelopes please contact our Ministry Assistant, Laura, at 843-662-5122 or [gracebaptistflorence@gmail.com](mailto:gracebaptistflorence@gmail.com)

### **FINANCIAL RECORD**

Weekly Budget Needs - 6,389.47

**Giving for the Weeks of December 31, 2025**

Budget Gifts	7,580.00
Loving the Lost	200.00
Building Fund	619.00
Stewardship Expenses	2.20
Vacation Bible School	10.00
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>8,411.20</b>

*Thank you for your faithful gifts.*

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**ONLINE GIVING**

### **GBC KIDS**

#### **KID'S WORSHIP**

Kids, Preschool - 5th Grade, are dismissed and escorted to the Kid's Worship following the Children's Sermon during Worship. Parents are asked to pick-up their children after Worship in the Children's Wing.

#### Kid's Worship Leaders

Today: Ruth Sims & Maria Buie (P)  
Rita Russell & Caleb Bailey (C)  
1/11: Melanie (P)  
Teri Brehio & Brodie Hickson (C)  
1/18: Jean Sims & Ashlynn Bailey (P)  
Abbie Bailey & Hilary Faircloth (C)

#### **CHILDREN IN ACTION**

Kids meet on Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, to engage in missions, both CHILDREN IN learning about missions & hands-on mission projects.

