

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – November 30, 2025 – 9:00 AM



Meditation Verse: *"Therefore, you also should be prepared, because the Human One will come at a time you don't know."*
- Matthew 24:44

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Order of Worship

Welcome and Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn #196 – Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Call to Worship:

Leader: Beloved, once again, we embark on the Advent path that points us to the coming of Jesus.

People: We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: We remember the signs and the times that heralded the arrival of the baby Jesus, God Incarnate.

People: We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: We tell the stories once again as we learn how to discern the signs and the times, watching for glimpses of God's here-and-not-yet kingdom among us.

People: We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: Come, let us worship God who shines a light to guide us on the path to peace and flourishing for all creation.

People: Come, let us worship as we journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

*Passing of the Peace

Song: #202 – People Look East

Lighting of the Advent Candles

- Hymn #211, "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"
- Verse 4 and Chorus

Scriptures: Isaiah 2:2-5 and Matthew 24:36-44

Kids Message

Message: "Signs and Times"

*Song of Response: Burning in My Soul

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Announcements

*Closing Song: Everlasting God

*Blessing

(Please stand as you are able.)

GPS – Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) *Grow*. Ponder how you strive to hold onto “stuff” and power. How might releasing these things open you to more deeply experience God’s kingdom here on earth?
- 2) *Pray*. When is it hardest for you to wait? Pray for patience and endurance.
- 3) *Study*. Read Isaiah 2:12-18. Today what might God lay low or bring down? Why?

This Week’s Scripture Readings:

Dec.1 – Psalm 72:1-7
Dec. 2 – Isaiah 11:1-10
Dec. 3 – Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
Dec. 4 – Romans 15:4-6
Dec. 5 – Romans 15:7-13
Dec. 6 - Matthew 3:1-6
Dec. 7 – Matthew 3:7-12

To go a little
deeper into the
reading for
each day this
week, go to
pastorjohnb.org

Next Sunday's Message: “Signs and Stories” – John the Baptist taps into a felt need – the need to draw close to God. He calls for us to repent. Not to feel sorry and confess, but to live by a different story. He is issuing an invitation to follow a new sign, a new hope. We are also called to ‘bear fruit worthy of repentance.’ That means not just thinking differently, but living differently.

This Week at Grace

- Sun. – 8 AM – Adult Sunday School – SS Room
- Mon. – 3 PM – Grace Kids – Fellowship Hall
- Tues. – 3 PM – Art with Heart – Fellowship Hall
- Wed. – 7:45 AM – Women's Small Group – SS Room
- Wed. – 1:30 PM – Midweek Chat – Chapel
- Wed. – 5:30 PM – Youth Group – Fellowship Hall
- Thur. – 5:30 PM – Men's Bible Year Study – Fellowship Hall
- Fri. - 6:30 AM – Ladies' Bible Study - Chapel

Upcoming Happenings at Grace

- Dec. 16 – 6:15/7 PM – Teams/Leadership meetings
- Dec. 20 – 9 AM – Service Saturday – meet at Church
- Dec. 21 – 6 PM – Blue Christmas – Chapel
- Dec. 24 – 1:30 & 4 PM – Christmas Eve Services

Announcements

The Mission of the Month for December is Piedmont Valley Elementary School and Stagebarn Middle School.

To make a one-time gift to Grace UMC or to the Mission of the Month (or to set up a recurring gift), please scan the QR code. Thank you for your generosity and support!



Please check the sign-up sheets across the hall from the drinking fountains to see when YOU could serve as a greeter, reader, or treat provider.

Please keep food and drinks in Fellowship Hall. Thank You!

May God bless you throughout the coming week!!