

Update on sanctuary repairs:

We are excited about being able to start the repairs to the sanctuary ceiling in June. The plan is to return it to the original look which will include:

- Repairing the plaster chunks that have fallen out of the ceiling
- Fixing the cracks that happened when the building “moved” five years ago (when we had to drill anchors in the foundation on the street side of the building)
- Repainting the entire ceiling

When the repairs are complete, the sanctuary will be returned to the look it had a few years ago before the leaks in the roof began. That is the extent of the repairs to the sanctuary, and we look forward to moving back into the sanctuary in August. Any donations to help fund the repairs would be most welcome.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Morris, Ron Hough (Trustees Team), Stu Gauffreau (Church Council), or Lisa Fields (Fundraising Committee)

MAY 16, 2010			
Our Presence		Our Generosity	
9am - 135, 10:15am - 92, 11 am - 132	Needed weekly toward budget	10,711	
Worship Total: 359	Received last week toward budget	11,535	
	Needed YTD	215,532	
Sunday School - 133 Small Groups - 113	Received YTD	204,838	
Total: 246	Shortfall YTD	[10,694]	

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GRACE CHURCH UNITED METHODIST

SUNDAY, MAY 23, 2010

9:00 A.M., 10:15 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Simple Truths for...The Game of Life

Part 6: “You’ve Got Spirit, Yes You Do!”

Welcome to Grace! What a tremendous Youth Sunday we had last week! Thanks to all our youth, their director, Christina McCord, and all our adult youth volunteers. It is a wonderful privilege to serve a church that sees the value of passing our wonderful faith to the next generation.

Today we have lots of great things happening in worship at Grace. In our 9:00 and 11:00 worship service, our wonderful Grace Children's Choir, under the direction of Paula Owens, will be singing. We look forward to hearing their beautiful voices praise the Lord. In our 10:15 worship service, we'll receive two new families into the Grace community and celebrate three baptisms. We will also celebrate a baptism at our 11:00 worship service.

In all three services this morning we'll continue our sermon series *Simple Truths for the Game of Life*. The title of today's message is “You’ve Got Spirit, Yes You Do!” Today is Pentecost Sunday. On this Sunday we remember the Holy Spirit, who was poured out on the early Christians enabling them to do powerful things in the name of Jesus. We learn how the gift of the Holy Spirit can impact our lives today.

Please don't forget that next Sunday, May 30, we will have one last joint worship service in our sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. On Sunday, June 6, we will begin our summer schedule of two worship services - 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. in Graceful Grounds while the sanctuary ceiling is being repaired. Thanks to everyone for their willingness to be flexible this summer. It's going to be a great time to build community at Grace!

Many Blessings,



Pastor Morris

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 23, 2010

PENTECOST SUNDAY

11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

GATHERING AND PARISH NOTICES

(You are invited to sign the friendship registers located at the end of each pew.)

PRELUDE *Come, God Creator, Holy Ghost* Bach

(We center ourselves for worship as the light of Christ is brought into our midst.)

*GREETING

When the Day of Pentecost had come, they were all gathered together in one place.

And suddenly a sound came from heaven, like the rush of a mighty wind.

It filled the house where they were sitting and there appeared tongues that looked like fire.

And they rested on each one of them, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit!

*HYMN NO. 384 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* BEECHER

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO GOD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of wind and fire, we bless your name this day. We give you thanks for sending the light and strength of your Holy Spirit who pours out gifts, great and small, on all of us. We confess however, that very often we have not claimed our gifts or put them into practice for the transformation of your world. Forgive us, we pray. Cleanse and renew our desire to allow the light of the Spirit to shine through us in the coming week. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Glory to God!

*THE GLORIA PATRI Hymnal, page 71

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(You are invited to offer the peace of Christ to those with whom you worship.)

RESPONSE NO. 131 *We Gather Together (vs. 1)* KREMSER

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Hymnal, page 39

(At this time, Bruce and Lisa Litaker present their son, Cameron Gray Litaker, for the sacrament of baptism. Let us be in prayer for the family at this holy moment.)

BAPTISMAL RESPONSE

**Cameron, Cameron, God claims you, God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.
We this day do all agree a child of God you'll always be.
We your family love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow.
Cameron, Cameron, God claims you, God helps you, protects you and loves you too.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Just As I Am* arr. Young

*DOXOLOGY NO. 94 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

CHILDREN'S CHOIR Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying, With My Whole Heart
May You Run and Not Be Weary Paula Owens, Director

A TIME WITH CHILDREN Kim Priddy

(A children's offering will be taken at this time. Nursery and Jr. Church are available for infants to first graders in rooms 200 and 201.)

*SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 1:6-8; 2:1-11

ANTHEM *Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me* arr. Scott

SERMON *Simple Truths for...The Game of Life*
Part 6: "You've Got Spirit, Yes You Do!"

*HYMN NO. 539 *O Spirit of the Living God* FOREST GREEN

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

(The light of Christ leads us out to share the good news of Jesus Christ with the world.)

*POSTLUDE *Komm, heiliger Geist, Herre Gott* Buxtehude
Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

WE TAKE GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

**As you are able, please stand*

THANKS TO THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS

9:00 a.m. - GREETERS: Karen Kernodle; **9:00 a.m. USHERS:** Jeff Kerrigan; **9 a.m. POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Evan Williams; **TIME WITH CHILDREN:** Emily & Elizabeth Franks-North; **9:00 a.m. JR. CHURCH:** Ginger McKinney & Guyer; **9:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Cassidy & Todd MacKay; **10:15 a.m. GREETER:** Ginger Scott; **10:15 a.m. USHERS:** Rob & Kelly Warfield; **10:15 POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Robynn Osborne; **11:00 a.m. - GREETERS:** East Entrance: Rick Saunders & Sarah Isbister; Narthex: Sandy Crossley & Kasey Stamey; **ACOLYTE:** Harrison Stone; **11:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Cassidy & Todd MacKay; **NICK'S TRANSPORTATION:** Scott Romine; **11 a.m. HEAD USHER:** Bill Stone; **USHERS:** Marjorie Stone, Harrison Stone, Caroline Stone, Mike Stainback; **11:00 a.m. JR. CHURCH:** Crenshaw; **11:00 a.m. SOUND SYSTEM:** Logan Hiers; **LAWN CARE TEAM:** Kristian Hiers, Logan Hiers, Mark Witte

THE FLOWERS in our sanctuary today are dedicated to the glory of God and are given by Linda Hadnott in memory of Richard Hill.

2010 Graduating Senior...Let's congratulate Meghan Nicole Boyles who will be attending Guilford Technical Community College in the fall. Meghan is the granddaughter of Angie Ferriera.

Join the Seekers Sunday Class this summer, June 6th, as they begin a new study that

seeks to re-create the emotional immediacy that Jesus' audience felt the first time hearing the parables. Please contact Jay Braxton at jdbbx2002@yahoo.com with any questions.

This class will meet from 9:50am to 10:25am in June and July in the Educationl Building in room 100.



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Puttin' On the Ritz! (for grades k-6) July 12-18 at Grace UMC. For more information about the camp go to www.ritzworkshop.com. Contact Kim Priddy at 272-2171 ext. 102 or kpriddy@grace-methodist.com with questions or to get a application. Invite a friend!

REMINDER: On May 30, we will have one joint service at 10:00 in the sanctuary. On June 6, we begin our summer worship schedule of two services: 9am and 10:30am in Graceful Grounds while our sanctuary ceiling is being repaired.

Please remember in your prayers: Treb Cranford, Alfred Ligon (Cindy McKinney's Dad), Glenn Payne, Midge Hudson, Debbie Frye (cancer), Kayla Powell (14 yr. old friend of the Corcoran's who has cancer), Carolyn Crockett (Joe Matthews' aunt), Jack Dillon, Faith (friend of Nick Andrews and patient at Bell House), Earl Rideout (Sugar Dunlap's brother-in-law), Jill Osborne (Mae Boles' niece), Elaine Kesler, Matthew Greiner, Earl and Edith Colin, US military service men and women and their families, world leaders, Middle East, Haiti



High School Small Group Cancelled this week- We will not be meeting at the Kops this week since ALL YOUTH are encouraged to help on Thursday night with the yard sale sorting and pricing.

FUEL in MAY- On May 23, all high school youth attending Appalachia Service Project have training from 2:00-6:00 at Hinshaw UMC. No FUEL Memorial Day weekend. Invite a friend and GET FUELED UP!!!

Middle School Bowling- All middle school youth are invited to bring a friend and come out for bowling on Sunday, May 23, from 3:00-5:00. Total cost is \$8 for shoe rental and 2 hours of bowling!

End-of-Year celebration- We will have a cook-out on Sunday, June 6th at the McCord's home at 5 pm.

YOUTH Yard Sale- Saturday, May 22 from 8-11 am- Come out for some great yard sale shopping this Saturday and support our Grace Youth!!!



GRACE ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 23

- 9:00 a.m.** Contemporary Worship - Graceful Grounds, Electric Music
- 9:25 a.m.** Children's Choir
- 9:40 a.m.** Cherub Choir
- 10:00 a.m.** Small Groups for Adults and Children
- 10:15 a.m.** Contemporary Worship - Graceful Grounds, Acoustic Music
- 11:00 a.m.** Classic Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 2:00 p.m.** High School Youth ASP Training - Hinshaw UMC
- 3:00 p.m.** Middle School Youth - Bowling
- 4:00 p.m.** Yoga

Monday, May 24

- 10:00 a.m.** Staff Meeting - Break Room

Tuesday, May 25

- 6:30 p.m.** NA - Room 101-Education Building
- 8:00 p.m.** AA - Room 101-Education Building

Wednesday, May 26

- 9:30 a.m.** Women's Bible Study - Graceful Grounds
- 1:00 p.m.** Senior Bible Study - Friends Home Guilford
- 6:00 p.m.** Yoga - Yoga Room, 2nd floor, Education Building
- 7:00 p.m.** Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room, sanctuary building
- 7:00 p.m.** "Ten-Fifteen" Rehearsal, Graceful Grounds
- 8:00 p.m.** Agents of Grace Rehearsal, Graceful Grounds

Thursday, May 27

- 7:00 a.m.** Men's Fellowship & Bible Study - Panera Bread, W. Market St.

Saturday, May 29

- 9:00 a.m.** Yoga - Yoga Room, 2nd floor Education Building

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, June 13th @ 5:30- We are so grateful for all of the wonderful volunteers and members of Grace who make our church such an amazing place to worship and grow in our faith! We would like to thank all of our volunteers with a dinner on Sunday, June 13th @ 5:30. The Grace staff will prepare the food and the children can enjoy the bouncy house, too. Please RSVP by June 6th to Christina McCord (282-0380) or Kim Priddy (272-2171), ext. 102 with the number attending from your family so we can plan the food.

Grace Mom's Diaper Drive

Grace Mom's group will be collecting diapers at all three services on May 23rd. We are extremely excited about this collection benefiting babies served by two different agencies in the Triad. The first agency is The Family Support Network of Central Carolinas. One of the agency's programs is called *Elisabeth's Closet*. This program provides new or gently used baby care items and equipment for families needing assistance. We will be donating Newborn to size 2 diapers to the Family Support Network. The second agency is the FaithAction International House. They are a nonprofit charitable organization supported by those individuals and religious congregations that share their vision of an equitable and inclusive community: many cultures, one people. They distribute diapers to the local immigrant community, and we will be donating sized 3 through 5 to the FaithAction International House.

These organizations help distribute to parents in need of diapers for their babies. We hope you will consider donating to this cause by bringing in packages of diapers, in any size, and dropping them in the collection locations on Sunday, May 23rd.

Thank you in advance,
Grace Mom's Group



WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

May 23, 2010

Pentecost Sunday

9:00 & 10:15 a.m.

Gathering Music

Welcome and Parish Notices

*Songs of Praise

Light the Fire
Holy and Anointed One (9am only)

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Response

Spirit of the Living God

Reception of New Members and Sacrament of Baptism

(At 9am, we welcome Mike and Heather Cosgrove into the Grace Church family. At 10:15am, we welcome Emily and Daryl Schmitz with their daughters, Abigail & Isabelle. We also welcome Joshua & Sally Wordes, along with their children, Austin and Molly.)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Giving to God

Children's Choir

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying, With My Whole Heart
May You Run and Not Be Weary

Paula Owens, Director

A Time with Children (9am only)

(A children's offering will be taken at this time. Nursery and Jr. Church are available for infants to first graders in rooms 200 and 201. Choir for 2nd to 5th graders will meet in the choir room.)

*Scripture Lesson

Acts 1:6-8; 2:1-11

Message

Simple Truths for...The Game of Life
Part 6: "You've Got Spirit, Yes You Do!"

*Closing Song

Spirit Song

Blessing and Sending Forth

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN GOD'S WORLD

* As you are able, please stand



BACKPACK CLUB - Our mission is to sponsor 8 children at Peeler Open Elementary with food for a weekend. Volunteer to assist with the purchasing, packing, delivering, or retrieval of the backpacks. **We are asking for Mac & Cheese in particular this month.** Pray for the ministry and those children and families that we sponsor. For more information, please contact Kim Priddy at kpriddy@grace-methodist.com or 272-2171 ext. 102.



We'll provide the lemonade. You provide the kids.

Lemon-Aid – Kids Taking a stand to End Duchenne is a city-wide effort to raise research dollars to treat Duchenne muscular dystrophy.

You can make a difference in the lives of children living with Duchenne, by giving them hope to be able to walk, run, jump or simply stand by helping us serve lemonade and drinking lemonade.

Join Matthew, Owen Greiner and other Grace KiDS on the lawn of Grace Church on Saturday, May 22. Contact Kim Priddy for more information kpriddy@grace-Methodist.com.

Soldier Care Packages Campaign- Memorial Day -Fourth of July. See next week's bulletin for more details.

Our Missions Food for May is CANNED FRUIT. Peaches, pears, pineapple, fruit cocktail and applesauce are all good choices. As the days get warmer, chilled fruit makes a good nutritious dessert. Pick up a few cans and drop them in one of our bins located in the east sanctuary entrance or in Graceful Grounds next Sunday. Thanks so much for your support!!

Coming up

June-Peanut Butter

July-Rice (1 lb. bags or larger)