# This Week a Grace

November 2, 2023

# This Week at Grace

This week at Grace Pastor Jonathan will use Matthew 5:1-12 as inspiration for his message. The Warwick/Blagg family will usher. Kurt Carlson will serve as liturgist. Louis Reeder will be running tech. You can see and hear our worship services LIVE on our Facebook page @storycitygrace or through our website (which will link you to our Facebook page) – grace-umc.com.



# **Upcoming Events**

# Sunday, November 5

9:15 A.M. Worship –All Saints Sunday

10:15 A.M. Fellowship Time

10:30 A.M. Sunday School

1:00 P.M. Charge Conference

at Collegiate United Methodist

4:00 P.M. Axis (at St. Petri)

#### Wednesday, November 8

1:30 P.M. UWF

6:00 P.M. Compass (at St. Petri)

7:00 P.M. Bells

#### Sunday, November 12

9:15 A.M. Worship

10:15 A.M. Fellowship Time

10:30 A.M. Sunday School

4:00 P.M. Axis (at St. Petri)

# Sunday, November 13

5:30 P.M. Worship Committee

#### **Christmas Program**

Rehearsals have begun for the children's Christmas program. The following kids will be dismissed after the children's message to go practice on Sunday, November 5: Lena, Alexandra and Adeline

#### In Our Prayers

Donyel Caruth—sister Tawnya has cancer; Joel Chambers—Mom recovering well from surgery; Becky Cooney—friend, Julie Leonard, undergoing treatments; Doug Feil; Carolyn Geise—broken arm from fall; Cathy Hermanson—Cancer; Loretta Parker; Paula Sampson—Cancer; The Taylors; Dan Webster—Surgery; Brad Dedic—Surgery

#### **Meals on Wheels**



Meals on Wheels delivery for November has begun. The following people are delivering meals the second week in November, Please be at the north doors by 10:50 to pick

up the food for delivery.

November 6

Mike and Patsy Jensen

November 7

Gail and Carlos Remis

November 8

Route 1: Gini Michel

Route 2: Mindy Kardell

November 9

Mike and Patsy Jensen

November 10

Jane Jackson, Fred Larson



#### **Charge Conference**

Charge conference is November 5 at 1:00 at Collegiate United Methodist Church in Ames. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## **Fall Clean Up Days**

Fall Clean Up Days is November 10 and 11 this year. If the weather does not cooperate, November 17 and 18 are the back up days. Plan to come help clean up the church grounds before winter comes.

#### **Guest Preacher**

Rev. Katherine Yarnell is the executive director of the Iowa United Methodist Foundation. She will be our guest preacher on Sunday, November 12, and will meet with interested adults during the Sunday school hour. She can answer questions about remembering the church in your will, the investments Grace has entrusted to the Foundation (our endowment), and how the Foundation can help local churches in ministry.

#### Stewardship

Most of you should be receiving a letter from our pastor including a pledge card for 2024. Please fill this out and return to church no later than November 19 when we hope to dedicate them in worship. If you do not receive a card, extras will be available in the narthex. A financial pledge for the coming year helps the church leadership make decisions for the ministry of the church. Grace has been blessed in recent years with generous support.

# **All Saints Sunday**

On Sunday, November 5, we will recognize all the members of our church who have passed away in the last year. Being remembered this year are: Jim Dale, Linda Poore, Kermit Miskel, Jim Wirth, Geneva Chelsvig, Editha Adrian, Scott Muxfeldt Sara Dappen and Darwin Johnson



#### **Harvest Home**

Grace church has participated in a long tradition called Harvest Home. We will continue again this year with November 19 as our designated date to give to the food pantry before the Thanksgiving holiday. Keep in mind that many people will be baking and cooking for family and the following items would be greatly appreciated.

- Spices such as cinnamon, pumpkin, chili
- Cookie and frosting mixes
- Sauces such as tomato and pasta
- Basic baking ingredients such as flour, sugar, margarine, butter, shortening
- Paper products are always needed. Consider giving toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex

Food items may be brought to the church beginning this Sunday and will be collected in the narthex. Following the November 19 brunch, which is designated for the Loaves and Fishes food pantry, the items will be taken by volunteers to the pantry.

#### **Thank You**

Grace church is blessed with an abundance of willing workers for any activity whether they are asked or not. Thank you to all of you cheerfully helping in the many ways hosting the delightful wedding celebration for Pastor Jonathan and Becky.

Cathy and Patsy

God doesn't call the qualified,

He qualifies

the called.





#### Thank you!

Becky and Jonathan would like to thank everyone for their gracious support of our wedding, honeymoon and wonderful reception on October 29. We know there are too many names to list—and many we may never know—but special thanks goes to Cathy, Sharla, Patsy and all the folk who contributed to a terrific day.





Our very own Jarod Hart wrote the original music to this play and would love for you to come and support him. Tickets can be purchased at <a href="https://example.com/Theorems.com/Theorem



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