

Grace Presbyterian Church

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"An open, welcoming church, serving Christ in our world since 1851"

January 29, 2012 + 10:30 AM

4th Sunday after Epiphany



Pastor: Rev. William O. Webster, Jr.

Organist: Peg Coleman

Family Ministries Coordinator: Lisa Buckingham

Ministers: Congregation

GOD Calls Us Together For Worship

"I rejoiced with those who said, 'Let us go to the House of the Lord.'" Ps. 122:1

Welcome and Morning Announcements *The Rev. William Webster*

Prelude To Worship

The Call To Celebration

Linda Archer

L: Jesus has called us each by name!

P: And His Spirit has given us life, pouring in us the power to become new people.

L: Coming here in faithfulness we are ready for the surprises that GOD's Spirit brings with each new day.

ALL: Gathered here in the name of Jesus Christ we lift our hearts and voices to GOD. Praise the Lord! AMEN

◆ Hymn of Praise "HE is Lord" #105

Prayer of Confession of Sins and Mistakes

Time for Personal Prayer, Silent Meditation and Reflection

(Unison) Mighty GOD, I know that You gave me talents and skills. I know that You poured abilities into me. But, before You, I confess that there are times when I feel as though I do not have any special gifts. And I know that there have been times when I have not used those gifts, which You have given me. I admit that I have not developed those skills. I acknowledge that I have wasted my talents, allowing them to rust. I am sorry for not using my talents to Your glory. Today, forgive me for neglecting my gifts. Forgive me and help me so that I may never be afraid to use them. This morning, forgive me and comfort me as You lead me forward so that I may faithfully serve Jesus Christ. AMEN.

The Assurance of Being Forgiven of our Sins

◆ The Gloria Patri

#623

The Children's Sermon

David Buckingham

Ritual of Friendship *(Please greet and welcome our neighbors, and sign the pew pad)*

Minute for Mission

The Deacons

Hymn of Prayer "In This Quiet Moment"

#592

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer *(debt & debtors)*

Special Music "Try Jesus, Man of Galilee" *Chancel Choir*

We Hear GOD's Word to Us

"Thy Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." Psalm 119:105

New Testament Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30 (pg. 807) *Linda Archer*

Key Verse: *"Well done my good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" Matthew 25:21*

The Good News: "ENEMIES OF FAITH - FAILURE"

The Rev. William Webster, Jr.

◆ Hymn of Service "Great Is the Lord" #31

We Offer Our Gifts and Lives Before GOD

"They gave themselves first to the Lord." 2nd Cor. 8:5

Prayer of Dedication of our Tithes and Gifts to GOD

Offertory "His Word Is Wonderful" *Chancel Choir*

◆ Doxology

◆ Blessing and Sending

◆ Blessing Response "Go Now and Live for the Savior" *Screen*

◆ Postlude

Conclusion of Worship – Beginning of Service

A Church with a great Heritage and a greater future!

◆ *Indicates, that those who are able, are invited to stand for worship*

Notes:

**NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF
GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Sunday	9:20 AM, Sunday School 10:30 AM, Worship Celebration followed by Coffee Hour and Fellowship 5:30 PM SCOPE 6:00-8:15 PM Confirmation Class 7:00 PM Worship Celebration followed by Fellowship and Coffee Hour
Tuesday	5:30 PM T.O.P.S. at Webster Hall
Wednesday	10:00 AM Worship Team Meeting – Choir Room 1:00 PM Bible Study at Wayne Hays 5:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM The Page Turners in the Choir Room
Thursday	7:00-9:30 PM Coffee House
Saturday	9AM-Noon Church Officer Training

GREETERS TODAY: Janie Davies, Sandy Albert, Cel Harris

NEXT SUNDAY: Sherry Stratton, Julie Mamie, Wendy Suto

AM Acolyte today is Chris Buehner. Next Sunday morning–David Buehner

CALL TO WORSHIP: Next Sunday is Donna Marker

JANUARY - Deacons on Call – Kay McFarlan - 633-6417
Sherry Stratton - 633-2044

√Remember, call the church office or a Deacon On Call if you or a loved one is hospitalized.

Free Parking! Free parking is always available for worshippers of GRACE Church on Sundays' in the E.O.R. Hospital parking lot. Don't drive around in circles – head for the parking lot at the end of 4th Street!

The Power Room Prayer Ministry

Sunday mornings 10:20 AM in the Library - Join us each week for Prayer!

Next Sunday's Scripture is Daniel 3:19-26. Communion Worship

WELCOME TO Grace Presbyterian Church

GRACE Church is an open, welcoming church where diversity is celebrated as a rich gift of GOD and where Christ is central. We have a passion for GOD and compassion for people. Thank you for worshipping GOD with us. Whether your stay with us is for an hour, or a lifetime, we want you to know that here you are welcome, accepted and embraced. We want you to feel welcome and accepted in worship and in all the activities of our church. Each week in our service of worship, we encourage the full participation of people of all ages, especially the children, as we look to experience the presence of GOD at work in our midst. We take pleasure in having children fully participate in worship. Since we enjoy having children grow in worship, there is no Nursery Care provided. Whoever you are or wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

HOLY GROUNDS CAFÉ HOSTS OPEN MIC NIGHT

This Thursday (2/2/12) Holy Grounds Café is open from 7:00 – 9:30 PM. The entire evening is dedicated to Open Mic. Please stop in for even a short visit to help support our community's amateur musicians! See Lisa or David Buckingham if you have any questions.

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB MEETS THIS WEEK

The Page Turners Book Club is set to meet on Wednesday, February 1st at 7:00 PM in the choir room. The book we will be discussing is Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford. Everyone is invited to join in, whether you're a book club regular or have never attended.

TULIBANTU SCHOOL IS GOING ON A SHOPPING SPREE!

Lisa's sister Kristin reports that the funds we sent to Africa have arrived and she is spending the next several days making purchases. She will be arranging the planting of the fruit orchard, buying new sewing machines and other exciting things as well. Expect continued reports, including photos in the week ahead.

Church Officer Training Event is Saturday, February 4th from 9:00 AM – Noon. All officers please plan to be here!

THIS WEEK REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Dr. Mazin Al-Saqa, Mason Alger, Betty & John Arbogast, John Bales, Nancy Bartlett, Donna & Bill Baum, Rev. Griffie Banda and the people of Malawi, Jim Baugh, Laura Bess, Morene Bibbee, Bill Bommer, Gretchen Bruney, Pepper Bruney, Wayne & Christy Campbell, Cindy Case, Gina Cerasoli, Peg & Joe Coleman, Bonnie & Joe Dangelo, Rebecca Dombrosky, Frances Duck, El Buen Church, Joyce and Jack Dagan, Iona Fitch, Renee Frazier, Joyce Freese, Jerri Gallagher, Phil Garbark, Dorothy Geis, Mary Gerlach, Kurt Goudy, Chris Greaver, Jackson Grills, Stush Gdula, Davida Hamsher, Gus Harris, Residents of Wayne Hayes Apt. Building, Mary Hildebrand, Jack Hill, Jane Hill, Marge Hood, Bud Hunter, Fred Hunter, Mary Jenree, Jean Jones, Lois Kessler, Cindy Kinder, Karen King, Rick Klempa, David Konieczkowski, Georgianna Kurtz, Amy Maffee, Sam McClain, Dave & JoAnn Miller, Lois Mitchell, Lisa Moore, Mike Oberdick, JoAnn O'Toole, Shirley Paboucek, Mike Padilac, Sarah Peters, Nancy Powell, Charlene Regis, Jeannine Richards, Jim Robinson, Ethan Roberts, Marge Scarfpin, June Schrupp, Wilda Sherman, Lil Sicular, Jack Sloan, Florence Smith, Snow Snodgrass, James Statler, Randy Stephens, Mark Thomas, Tommy Thompson, Nicole Torres and children, Bob Truelove, Randy Turvey, Ron Vargo, Randy Walker, Mary Lou Welshans, Nanette Welshans, Eva West, Bob & Bonnie Wetzel, Jen Wheeler, Stephanie White, Libby Wildman, Willa Wilkins, Bill Williams, Pam Yurisko, for our Country; our Leaders, for peace.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Michael Bibbee US Army Kuwait; Josh Kerr, USN, Kuwait; Brock Frazier, US Air Force, DMZ S. Korea; Robert George, Chris & Joe Foster, Afghanistan; 2nd Class Petty Officer, Stephen H. Horsch USN; Sgt. Andrew Weisal, US Army, Afghanistan. Bobby Samuels, US Air Force Middle East.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR FAMILIES

Russell Duncan Jenny Duncan Michelle Durbin
Jeff Durbin Brielle Durbin Alexis Edmonds

Since Lent 2006, every week we are praying for different members of our church family.

CONFIRMATION CLASS STARTS TODAY

Please be in prayer for the students and leaders who will be part of this year's Confirmation Class, which runs on Sunday evenings (6:00-8:15 PM) from January 29th - February 26th. Several of our 6th - 10th graders are enrolled and we're certain it will be a great experience!!

THE DEACONS ARE COLLECTING PILLOW CASES

Thanks to the creativity of The Sandys, the Deacons have a great plan for a simple project: turning pillowcases into dresses and pants! The clothes will be sent to Tulibantu School in Zambia (a project sponsored by Lisa's sister Kristin in Africa). The sewing dates will be determined soon, but for now we're collecting new and gently used pillowcases of all sizes. Pass along your donations to Sandy Morehead or Sandy Albert. Thanks!

Prayer Chain Ministry

Would you like to be a part of the Prayer Chain Ministry? Our Prayer Chain Ministry has been ongoing for many years. Whenever there is a need for Prayer we start the chain of calls to all those who are committed to this ministry. Anyone who has a need for prayer can contact the church office (633-2699) or Linda Archer (633-2786) and we call the next person in line. If you would like to be involved or have any questions, call the church office.

Yes, I want to be a part of this ministry

Your Name and Phone Number _____

We will revise the list the beginning of February.

We broadcast every worship celebration over the Internet in our Internet Church. During worship, the camera may capture your image, which will appear over the Internet. Feel free to tell your friends and relatives to 'tune in' at www.gracemf.org to see and join in our Internet Church!

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR THE DAILY BREAD CENTER

The Deacons are seeking donations of personal care items to distribute through the Daily Bread Center. If you could donate bars of soap, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, etc. it would be GREATLY appreciated! You can drop off your items any time in the box located near the piano at the front of the sanctuary. Thank you very much!

Acolyte Party on Saturday, February 18th from 11:00-12:30 PM. For all children in grades Kindergarten and up who are and want to be Acolytes!

