

Small Groups and Classes

SUNDAY

- **The Forum Class** meets at 9:30 a.m. in Fireside Room. The topic for January 13 is "Facing Fears" presented by Laurel Fleming. Contact Elaine Pauls (630-865-6600) or Mark Fleming (markwflemi@aol.com) for more information.
- **Hearts on Fire (HOF)** meets at 9:30 a.m. in room 250. This class will start a 5 week DVD series called Which Way Lord? by Rob Fuquay. Contact Bob Pacanowski (bpacanowski@franklinsports.com) for more information.
- **New Connections** meets at 9:30 a.m. in room 226. Ever wonder where God is in your everyday life? Waking up, brushing your teeth, and looking for lost keys can all be sacred moments! Beginning today (Sunday, January 13), this class will read "Liturgy of the Ordinary" and discover God's presence afresh. Contact Jeff Barbeau (jeff@jeffbarbeau.com) for more information.
- **The Questors Class** meets at 9:30 a.m. in room 254. The topic for January 13 is "The People Without A King (Joshua and Judges): presented by Sandy Bray. The topic for the next week is "The Hidden Toll: Childbirth for African-American Women" presented by Pastor Doug Bowden. Contact Ginnie Battle (ginbattle@icloud.com) for more information.
- **Open Hearts and Minds (OHM)** meets at 11 a.m. in room 254. This class will be studying The Great Spiritual Migration by Brian McLaren. Contact Pastor Don Niswonger (dniswo25@aol.com) or Rev. Dr. Carol Findon (revdrcri@aol.com) for more information.

WEEKDAYS

- **Sisters Bible Study will resume meeting on Monday, January 14, at 1 p.m. with Pastor Cindy facilitating in room 254.** Contact Pastor Cindy Marino (cindy.marino@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.
- **Prayer Ministry** meets on Mondays at 3 p.m. in the Chapel. Join us in this important ministry as we carefully pray for each prayer request received by the Church. Contact Pastor Bill Bryan (bande1951@gmail.com) for more information.
- **Grateful Yoga** meets on Mondays at 7 p.m. in the back of the Sanctuary. Grateful Yoga is a faith-based yoga class in which basic yoga moves/poses are combined with a mindful gentle flow. Contact Jane Abe (abzabe@msn.com) or Gail Lindsay (christinegp56@gmail.com) for more information.
- **Progressive Christianity** meets on Mondays at 7 p.m. in room 254. Contact Pastor Don Niswonger (dniswo25@aol.com) or Rev. Dr. Carol Findon (revdrcri@aol.com) for more information.
- **Portico Collective** meets on Wednesday nights at 5 p.m. in room 234 of the Kayton Youth Center. Childcare is available. Contact Chris Weilemann (chris.weilemann@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study will resume meeting on Wednesday, January 16, at 7 p.m. in room 254.** This class will start a new session of the Disciple Fast Track Series called "A New Testament Survey." Study manuals are available in the Church Office for \$18. Contact Sandy Bray (braysnap@aol.com) for more information.
- **Thursday Bible Study** meets on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in room 254. This class will start a new session of the Disciple Fast Track Series focusing on "The New Testament, Luke, and Acts." Study manuals are available in the Church Office for \$18. Contact Pastor Doug Bowden (dbowden6@aol.com) for more information.

Join a Sunday Class!

CHILDREN

Nursery Care: 8 a.m. - Noon
• 6 weeks to 2 Years - Rooms 130 & 131

9:30 a.m. Schedule

Children (3 years - 5th Grade):

• 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. in Feloswhip Hall

11 a.m. Schedule

Pre - K to 3rd Grade gather in Sanctuary and move to Room 250 for Children's Church.

YOUTH

9:30 a.m.
• 6 - 7th Grades - Chapel
• 8 - 12th Grades - Room 234 of the Kayton Youth Center

ADULTS

9:30 a.m.
• Forum - Fireside Room
• Hearts On Fire - Room 250
• New Connections - Conference Room
• Questors - Room 254
• Young Adults - Room 225

11 a.m.
• Open Hearts and Minds - Room 254

If you know of someone who has special needs that we can support at Grace UMC, contact Nicole Zaccaria, Open Doors Ministry Coordinator, (nicole.zaccaria@peopleofgrace.org)

Upcoming at Grace Church

SATURDAY • JANUARY 12

9 a.m. - Elderberries (ML)
5 p.m. - Saturday Evening Worship (AC)

SUNDAY • JANUARY 13

8:15, 9:30, & 11 a.m. - Worship (Sanc)
12:15 p.m. - Youth Choir (Sanc)
1:30 p.m. - Youth Bells (160)

MONDAY • JANUARY 14

9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)
9:30 a.m. - UMW Quilters (FS)
1 p.m. - Sisters (254)
3 p.m. - Prayer Ministry (Chapel)
7 p.m. - Board of Trustees (CR)
Progressive Christianity (254)
Grateful Yoga Ministry (Sanc)

TUESDAY • JANUARY 15

8:30 a.m. - Moms In Prayer (232)
9 a.m. - UMW General Meeting (FH)
Parent's Day Out (LL)
Elderberries (ML)
6:15 p.m. - Stephen Ministry Leaders (254)
7 p.m. - Cancer Support Group (Chapel)
Stewardship & Finance (254)
7:15 p.m. - Grace Praise Team (Sanc)
7:30 p.m. - Al/Anon (232)

WEDNESDAY • JANUARY 16

9 a.m. - Parent's Day Out (LL)
Temple Builders (AC)
4 p.m. - Children's Bells (160)
4:30 p.m. - Soccer (AC)
5 p.m. - Cherub Choir (232)
JR Singers (171)
Portico Collective (226)

7 p.m. - Fast Track Disciple (254)
LaLeche League (250)
Grace Bell Ensemble (160)
G.Y.M (AC)
7:15 p.m. - New Life Singers (Sanc)

THURSDAY • JANUARY 17

9 a.m. - Parent's Day Out (LL)
Elderberries (ML)
9:30 a.m. - Fast Track Disciple (254)
10 a.m. - Theological Study Group (FS)
1 p.m. - Treble Tikes (171)
4:30 p.m. - Soccer (AC)
7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir (Sanc)
CoDa (224)

FRIDAY • JANUARY 18

9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)
5:30 p.m. - Soccer (AC)

SATURDAY • JANUARY 19

9 a.m. - Elderberries (ML)
5 p.m. - Saturday Evening Worship (AC)

SUNDAY • JANUARY 20

8:15, 9:30, & 11 a.m. - Worship (Sanc)
12:15 p.m. - Youth Choir (Sanc)
1:30 p.m. - Youth Bells (160)
2 p.m. - Children Musical Rehearsal (Sanc)

MONDAY • JANUARY 21

9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)
9:30 a.m. - UMW Quilters (FS)
1 p.m. - Sisters (254)
3 p.m. - Prayer Ministry (Chapel)
7 p.m. - Board of Trustees (CR)
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GRACE IN MISSION

January 12-13, 2019

Welcome to Life at Grace United Methodist Church

Parent's Day Out 2019-2020



Grace UMC's Parent's Day Out is a childcare program for children ages 1 - 4 years old. The program operates from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Monday through Friday during the school year. Children are registered to attend one day per week and may indicate interest in a second day (if available) for the school year.

2019-2020 Registration dates are:

- **Today (Sunday, January 13)**, for Grace UMC Families, 9:15 a.m. - 11 a.m. in the Activity Center
- **Tuesday, January 15**, for Grace UMC Families, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Parent's Day Out Office
- **Wednesday, January 16**, for Current Families, Alternates, and Alumni at 9:15 a.m. in room 254, please enter at the Activity Center Entrance on the Upper Level of the Church.
- **Wednesday, January 16**, for Community Families at 10 a.m. in room 254, please enter at the Activity Center Entrance on the Upper Level of the Church.

Parent's Day Out information is available on the rack outside the Church Office, at www.peopleofgrace.org/parents-day-out, and by calling 630-355-6146.

United Methodist Women January Meeting

UMW will hold their general meeting on **Tuesday, January 15, at 9 a.m.** in Fellowship Hall. Note that this gathering is also a combined circle meeting. Barb LeMaster will be in charge of our pledge service. Important updates and special fellowship time will be included. Ruth Circle will be the hostess for the breakfast. All women are welcome to attend. Contact Phyllis Pepiot (ppepiot@gmail.com) for information.

End of Year Giving Statements 2018!

End of year giving statements will be sent electronically this year and will be sent no later than Thursday, January 31. If you wish to receive a paper copy, please email (finance@peopleofgrace.org) or sign up in the Church Office no later than January 20.

Feed My Starving Children MobilePack

Join us on Saturday, February 16, and Sunday, February 17, as Grace partners with other faith communities in the 2019 Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) 2019 MobilePack Event at North Central College. FMSC will bring nutrient ingredients and packing supplies to Naperville, making it possible to reach the goal of 1.3 million meals packed in just one weekend.



Registration will be held for a packing slot today (Sunday, January 13) and Sunday, January 20, between worship services in the Narthex.

The allocated packing shifts are on Saturday, February 16, from Noon - 2 p.m., and 3:30 - 5:30 p.m., Sunday, February 17, from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. and 4 - 6 p.m. Other shifts non-packing support positions are also available.

This is a unique opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus, as we are called to be in Matthew 25:35 "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat." Contact Gay Craig (gaycraig@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

New Small Group Starting Monday, January 21!

If standing up for God's truth might cost you your life, would you take the risk?

Beginning Monday, January 21, at 1 p.m. or 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room, Pastor Bill Bryan will lead a four-session study of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a 20th century hero and martyr who was a vocal anti-Nazi dissident in Germany during World War II. A Lutheran minister who became active in the German resistance, he opposed Hitler's euthanasia program and genocidal persecution of the Jews. He was arrested and sent to a concentration camp, where he was executed days before the end of the war. Bonhoeffer's writings on Christianity's role in the secular world continue to be influential in the 21st century.



Registration for the Bonhoeffer study is available in the Church Office. Read Chapters 1-4 in preparation for the first class. Contact Gay Craig (gaycraig@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

Created by God!

All 5th and 6th graders are invited for a weekend focused on growing spiritually and physically with a faith-based perspective. Our Created by God weekend will be held on January 25-27 at Grace and we encourage you to invite friends and neighbors who may benefit from this event.



We have a team of amazing parents, health professionals, lay members and staff who commit themselves to this weekend so that our children get good information regarding "growing up" and physical and spiritual development! Don't miss out! It's fun, we learn, play games, eat together and have a wonderful weekend.

Register Now (www.peopleofgrace.org/created-by-god)! Deadline to register is Monday, January 21. Contact Chamus Burnside-Savazzini (chamus@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

Scholarship for North Central College

The Grace Church Foundation is again offering a \$1,000 scholarship for the 2019-2020 school year at North Central College. These funds are available through North Central College Scholarship Funds established by generous donations from Anna Stephenson. The scholarship could be matched by the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation as part of its Dollars for Scholars program and also by North Central College for a total scholarship of \$3,000.



If you are a current student or plan to enroll for the fall semester and are a member of Grace United Methodist Church, you are eligible to apply for the scholarship. Online application forms are available now and can be completed online at www.umhef.org. After the online application has been submitted, you must complete the Confirmation Form attaching a photograph and a personal biography including a description of your involvement in Grace Methodist Church and your community.

These must be placed in Merle Clewett's mailbox located in the lounge no later than February 17. The Foundation will select a candidate or candidates and forward the application with a Foundation check for \$1,000 to the UMHEF before the March 1 deadline.

Contact Pastor Cindy Marino (cindy.marino@peopleofgrace.org) or Merle Clewett (mclewett@msn.com) for more information.

In Brief

Friends and Family Movie Night! Lights, Camera, Action! It's time for Movie Night at Grace! Invite your friends and family to join you on Saturday, February 9, at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall to dinner (hot dogs, chips, drinks, popcorn, and dilly bars) and a movie. Our feature film will be Disney's "Christopher Robin." This 2018 movie is a heartwarming tale of a working-class family man, Christopher Robin, encounters his childhood friend Winnie-the-Pooh, who helps him to rediscover the joys of life. All you have to do is relax and enjoy the show with your Grace family and friends. Childcare will be provided for children ages 6 weeks to 4 years old. Contact Pastor Mark (mark.himel@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

Lenten Devotions Needed! Our Grace family and friends are invited to contribute written devotions, art (paintings, drawings), poems or photos for our 2019 Lent booklet of devotions. This booklet has been a beloved Grace tradition for nearly 50 years, but it wouldn't be possible without you! For ideas to help you get started and submission guidelines, please pick up a brochure in the Church Office, or contact Barb Ceruti (bceruti917@gmail.com). Submissions are due no later than Friday, February 1.

United Methodist General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 5, in Fellowship Hall. The evening will begin with dessert and coffee served at 6:30 p.m. and immediately followed by our featured speaker, Mr. Charles R.P. Brown III, the CEO and Portfolio Manager of CB3 Financial Group, Inc. His presentation is entitled, "CB3's Financial Chat for 2019: Protecting your Portfolio." His key topics will be influences weighing on the markets as 2019 begins, selecting stocks in a correction environment, and understanding stop-loss strategy. He also will provide information about charitable giving. Mr. Brown has been trading commodities and stocks for thirty-plus years. He has written numerous financial articles and a book, Not Your Father's Retirement. An experienced lecturer, he has appeared on national TV with his economic opinions and news. He is known for his ability to "explain complex topics in his 'everyman' conversational style." Apart from the financial world, he is an accomplished musician and performed in Carnegie Hall at age 17. He currently is an active member and performs in the Moody Church Orchestra in Chicago. All are welcome to attend. Contact Phyllis Pepiot (ppepiot@gmail.com) for more information.

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