

## Small Groups and Classes

### SUNDAY

• **The Forum Class** meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. The topic for March 17 is "Living Well" from God Soaked Life by Chris Webb presented by Pastor Bill Bryan. 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. For the next 5 weeks, this class will be studying a DVD series called The Call by Adam Hamilton. 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! 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 Fellowship Hall. The topic for March 17 is "What the Bible Says About Healthy Living" presented by Diana McClaurin. The topic for the next week is "Who Wrote the Epistle of James?" presented by Vic Maroni. Contact Ginnie Battle (ginbattle@icloud.com) for more information.

• **Open Hearts and Minds (OHM)** meets at 11 a.m. in room 232. This class will be studying Being a Christian in the Twenty-First Century by Sam Gould. Contact Pastor Don Niswonger (dniswo25@aol.com) or Rev. Dr. Carol Findon (revdrcrf@aol.com) for more information.

### WEEKDAYS

• **Sisters Bible Study** meets on Mondays at 1 p.m. in room 226. This class is studying God Soaked Life by Chris Webb. The books are available for purchase for \$14 in the Church Office. Contact Pastor Cindy Marino (cindy.marino@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

• **Prayer Ministry** meets on Mondays at 3 p.m. in room 250. 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 232. Contact Pastor Don Niswonger (dniswo25@aol.com) or Rev. Dr. Carol Findon (revdrcrf@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** meets on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room. This class is studying Disciple Fast Track Series called "A New Testament Survey." Contact Sandy Bray (braysnap@aol.com) for more information.

• **Thursday Bible Study** meets on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in room 226. This class is studying Disciple Fast Track Series focusing on "The New Testament, Luke and Acts." 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. - Gathering (123)  
• 9:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. - Classrooms  
3 - 4 Year Olds - Room 137  
K - 1st Grades - Room 123  
2nd - 3rd Grades - Room 152  
4th - 5th Grades - Room 155

#### 11 a.m. Schedule

Pre - K to 3rd Grade gather in Sanctuary and move to Room 231 for Children's Church.

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)

### YOUTH

**9:30 a.m.**  
• 6 - 7th Grades - Room 233 of the Kayton Youth Center

• 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 - Room 226  
• Questors - Fellowship Hall  
• Young Adults - Room 225

**11 a.m.**  
• Open Hearts and Minds - Room 232

## Upcoming at Grace Church

### SATURDAY • MARCH 16

9 a.m. - Elderberries (ML)  
5 p.m. - Saturday Evening Worship/  
Youth Musical (Sanc)

### SUNDAY • MARCH 17

8:15, 9:30, & 11 a.m. - Worship (Sanc)  
11 a.m. - Youth Musical (Sanc)  
1:30 p.m. - Youth Bells (160)  
2 p.m. - Children's Musical Rehearsal (Sanc)  
3:30 p.m. - Celtic and Irish Songs (Sanc)  
4 p.m. - Evensong (Sanc)  
4:45 p.m. - Evensong Reception (AC)

### MONDAY • MARCH 18

9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)  
9:30 a.m. - UMW Quilters (FS)  
1 p.m. - Sisters (226)  
3 p.m. - Prayer Ministry (Chapel)  
7 p.m. - Board of Trustees (CR)  
Progressive Christianity (232)  
Grateful Yoga Ministry (Sanc)

### TUESDAY • MARCH 19

8:30 a.m. - Moms In Prayer (232)  
9 a.m. - Parent's Day Out (LL)  
Elderberries (ML)  
Sarah Circle (FS)  
9:15 a.m. - PDO Board Meeting (134)  
7 p.m. - Cancer Support Group (250)  
Stewardship & Finance (226)

7:15 p.m. - Grace Praise Team (Sanc)

7:30 p.m. - Al/Anon (232)

### WEDNESDAY • MARCH 20

9 a.m. - Parent's Day Out (LL)  
Temple Builders (AC)  
4 p.m. - Children's Bells (160)  
5 p.m. - Cherub Choir (232)  
JR Singers (171)  
Portico Collective (234)  
7 p.m. - Fast Track Disciple (FS)  
Grace Bell Ensemble (160)  
G.Y.M. (AC)  
LaLeche League Meeting (250)  
7:15 p.m. - New Life Singers (Sanc)

### THURSDAY • MARCH 21

9 a.m. - Parent's Day Out (LL)  
Elderberries (ML)  
9:30 a.m. - Fast Track Disciple (226)  
10 a.m. - Theological Study Group (FS)  
1 p.m. - Treble Tikes (171)  
7 p.m. - Prayer Shawl Ministry (250)  
7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir (Sanc)  
CoDa (224)

### FRIDAY • MARCH 22

9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)

### SATURDAY • MARCH 23

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

### SUNDAY • MARCH 24

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

## GRACE IN MISSION

March 16-17, 2019

Welcome to Life at Grace United Methodist Church

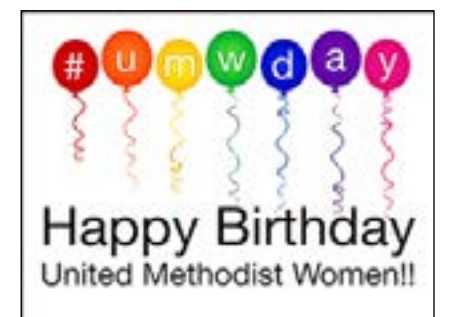
## "Look What God Has Done" Youth Worship Musical

Join us today (Sunday, March 17), at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary for the Grace Youth Choir Musical entitled "Look What God Has Done." This is an inspiring program of contemporary worship music and drama presented by our Grace Youth Choir. Contact Dan Wagner (dan.wagner@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.



## 150th Birthday Celebration of United Methodist Women

United Methodist Women will host a birthday party today (Sunday, March 17), between services in the Activity Center for the 150th Birthday of United Methodist Women which is actually March 23. Come eat cake and celebrate all the wonderful things that the United Methodist Women do on a local, national and global level.



## Choral Evensong

Join us on Sunday, March 17, starting at 3:30 p.m. for a program of Celtic style songs followed by Sung Evensong for St. Patrick's Day performed by soloists and Evensong singers. A tea reception will follow in the Activity Center.

Come and enjoy this brief and beautiful contemplative worship service! Contact Dan Wagner (dan.wagner@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.



## Easter Flower Orders

Lilies and other Easter flowers will be for sale in the Activity Center today (Sunday, March 17) and Sunday, March 24. Choose from a variety of beautiful plants, which can be ordered in honor, celebration, or memory of a special person or occasion (to be printed in the special bulletin insert). Contact Cathy Connor (cathyconnor05@gmail.com) for more information.



## United Methodist Women Circle

### Meetings in March

Quilt Group meets every Monday morning at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Contact Sandy Bray (630-420-0923), Nancy Lindberg at (630-364-2801) or Sharon Thomsen (630-414-7965) for more information.



Mary Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 19, at 9:15 a.m. at the home of Elaine Pauls. A reminder for everyone to bring a new hand towel for donation to UMCOR. Contact Ruby Allen (630-355-2008) for more information.

Sarah Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 19, at 9:15 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Pastor Daniel will be our guest speaker. Contact Sharon Thomsen (630-414-7965) for more information.

Priscilla Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 19 at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Contact Joyce Payne (630-717-8169) or Teri Heyson (630-334-7052) for more information.

Ruth Circle will meet on Wednesday, March 20, at 9:15 a.m. at the home of Val Dudley. We will have a speaker from the Family Shelter. Contact Mary Lou Eldredge (630-961-0679) or Val Dudley (630-357-1266) for more information.

Prayer Shawl will meet on Thursday, March 21 at 7 p.m. in room 250.

Book Group will meet on Wednesday, March 27, at 12:45 p.m. in the Fireside Room to discuss Clementine: The Life of Mrs. Churchill by Sonia Purcell. All attendees should bring their own lunch and drink, for a picnic style gathering. Contact Mary Abe (630-355-1030) for more information.

## Companions Journeying Together Mother's Day Prison Project

Donations are needed to help us put together packets of writing materials for women in prison. The needs include postage stamps, Mother's Day cards, Thinking of You cards, blank note cards, new stationery, gallon-size zip lock bags and monetary donations to cover delivery costs. (Checks made out to Companions, Journeying Together, Inc.) All donations should be left in the Church Office. Thank you for your help! Contact Nancy Lindberg (630-364-2801) for more information.



## Vacation Bible School 2019

**"To Mars and Beyond"  
is June 24-28, from  
9 a.m.-11:45 a.m.**

**Registration is NOW open!**

Join us on our voyage "To Mars and Beyond"!! Crew members and passengers please register and reserve your spot at [www.peopleofgrace.org/vbs](http://www.peopleofgrace.org/vbs). In an effort to go green, no tickets will be issued--your online registration and payment will reserve your seat on our spaceship!



New to VBS? This week-long morning bible school is a great time to stay connected to your church and neighborhood friends during the summer! If you have been on a VBS journey before, you know that it is an amazing week filled with music, art, and fellowship. All children are welcome, so call up some friends, and make a date for VBS 2019. We look forward to seeing all of you there!

If you have questions or need help with the online registration please let us know and we will be glad to help you, but sign up quickly--registration closes Sunday, June 16!

Contact Jill Rye, Director of VBS (jill.rye@peopleofgrace.org) or Chamus Burnside-Savazzini, (chamus@peopleofgrace.org) or (630-355-1748 Ext 324) for more information.

## In Brief

**General Conference Debriefing Sessions** Come hear from Bishop Sally Dyck as she presents information on the actions taken at the General Conference Special Session. Three 90 minute sessions will be held the weekend of March 30 and 31. The first two sessions will be held on Saturday, March 30, the first will be held at 9:30 a.m. at Orland Park: Faith UMC (15101 S 80th Ave, Orland Park, IL) and the second at Barrington UMC (98 Algonquin Rd., Algonquin, IL) at 2 p.m. The last session will be held on Sunday, March 31, at Oregon UMC in Oregon, IL (200 S 4th St, Oregon, IL) at 3 p.m. Visit [www.umcnic.org](http://www.umcnic.org) for more information.

**Lenten Devotional 2019** — "The Water of Life" Lenten booklets are available in print in the Church Office. You can also download it in its entirety at [www.peopleofgrace.org/lent-2019](http://www.peopleofgrace.org/lent-2019). Contact the Church Office (630-355-1748) for more information.

**Funeral Ushers** — Ushers are greatly needed for funerals at Grace. Contact Sharon Ferguson (sharon.ferguson@peopleofgrace.org) if you can serve as an usher or for more information.

**Sanctuary Straighteners** — People are needed to help tidy up the Sanctuary once per month during the week of the fourth Thursday of the month (for example, the fourth Thursday in March is the 28th, so any day of that week is fine to come in). Tidying includes straightening Bibles, hymnals, cards, checking attendance books, picking up stray bulletins, papers, pencils, etc. There is no cleaning involved. Contact Sharon Ferguson (sharon.ferguson@peopleofgrace.org) if you are interested or need more information.

**St. Andrew Callers** — People are needed to greet first-time visitors in their homes and bring them a welcome bag on the 3rd, 4th and 5th weeks of every month. Contact Sharon Ferguson (sharon.ferguson@peopleofgrace.org) if you are interested or need more information.

**Mission Quilt 2019** — The "Under the Sea" Mission Quilt was hand quilted by our very own Grace Quilters to help raise money in support of our 2019 Youth Summer Missions. Tickets will be available for purchase for \$1 per ticket or \$5 for 6 tickets after each service on Sundays, April 7, April 28, May 5 and May 12 as well as at the Hamball Luncheon on Friday, April 26. Drawing for the quilt will take place on Sunday, May 12. Contact Sandy Bray (braysnap@aol.com) for more information.

**UMW Annual Hamball Luncheon** will be held on Friday, April 26, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Tickets cost \$12 per person and tables of 8 can be reserved at the time of purchase. Tickets are on sale in the Church Office, from UMW Circle Member and in between services in the Activity Center on Sunday, April 7 and Sunday, April 14. All proceeds go to Missions. Contact Katie Smith (katiescott1994@yahoo.com) for more information.

### Grace United Methodist Church Staff

Rev. Cindy Marino, Senior Pastor  
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