

Small Groups and Classes

SUNDAY

Note: All Adult Faith Formation classes will meet in Fellowship Hall at 9:15 a.m. today (Sunday, September 8), for a discussion led by Dr. Jeffrey Barbeau on his new book The Spirit of Methodism.

• **The Forum Class** will resume meeting on Sunday, September 15, at 9:15 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Contact Mark Fleming (markwflemi@aol.com) for more information.

• **Hearts on Fire (HOF)** will resume meeting on Sunday, September 15, at 9:15 a.m. in room 250. This class is studying A New Reformation by Rob Fuquay. Contact Bob Pacanowski (bpacanowski@franklinsports.com) for more information.

• **New Connections** will resume meeting on Sunday, September 15, at 9:15 a.m. in room 226. This class is studying The Spirit of Methodism: From the Wesleys to Global Communion by Jeffrey Barbeau. Contact Jeff Barbeau (jeff@jeffbarbeau.com) for more information.

• **Sunday Portico Collective** will resume meeting on Sunday, September 15, at 9:15 a.m. in room 231. This class will begin studying What is the Bible? by Rob Bell. Contact Traci Weilemann (traci.weilemann@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

• **The Questors Class** will resume meeting on Sunday, September 15, at 9:15 a.m. in room 254. Contact Roger Hendrickson (rsh1458@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

• **Open Hearts and Minds (OHM)** meets at 10:30 a.m. in room 232. This class is studying Being Disciples by Rowan Williams. Contact Becky Lindsay (becky.lindsay524@gmail.com) or Bill Lindsay (wlindsay@mindsplash.net) for more information.

WEEKDAYS

• **Sisters Bible Study** will resume meeting on Monday, September 9, at 1 p.m. in room 254. This class will be studying The New Testament You Never Knew by N.T. Wright. 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 Chapel. Grateful Yoga Ministry is a faith-based gentle yoga practice that encompasses fellowship, readings, and prayers. Contact Jane Abe (abzabe@msn.com) or Gail Lindsay (christinegp56@gmail.com) for more information.

• **Progressive Christianity** will resume meeting on Monday, September 9, at 7 p.m. in room 254. This class will be studying ProFuture Faith by Michael Dowd. Contact Rev. Dr. Carol Findon (revdrf@aol.com) or Linda Rings (lrings@me.com) for more information.

• **Portico Collective** meets on Wednesdays 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.

• **Sisters Evening Class** will begin meeting on Wednesday, September 25, at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Our fall study will be Not a Silent Night by Adam Hamilton. Contact Sandy Bray (braysnap@aol.com) for more information.

• **Thursday Morning Bible Study** will resume meeting on Thursday, September 5, at 9:30 a.m. in room 254. This class will be studying Disciple, "The Prophets." Contact Pastor Doug Bowden (dbowden6@aol.com) for more information.

Join a Sunday Class!

CHILDREN

Nursery Care: 7:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
• 6 weeks to 4 Years - Rooms 130

9:15 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

10:30 a.m. Schedule

- 6 weeks to 4 Years - Rooms 130

YOUTH

9:15 a.m.

- 6 - 8th Grades - Room 233 of the Kayton Youth Center
- 9 - 12th Grades - Room 234 of the Kayton Youth Center

ADULTS

9:15 a.m.

- Forum - Fireside Room
- Hearts On Fire - Room 250
- New Connections - Room 226
- Portico Collective - Room 231
- Questors - 254
- Young Adults - Room 225

10:30 a.m.

- Open Hearts and Minds - Room 232

Upcoming at Grace Church

SUNDAY • SEPTEMBER 8

- 8 & 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 9 a.m. - Gathering Worship (AC)
- 9:15 a.m. - Adult Faith Formation Gathering (FH)
- 12 p.m. - Youth Choir (Sanc)
- 1:30 p.m. - Youth Bells (160)

MONDAY • SEPTEMBER 9

- 9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)
- Parent's Day Out (LL)
- 9:30 a.m. - UMW Quilters (FS)
- 1 p.m. - Sisters Bible Study (254)
- 3 p.m. - Prayer Ministry (Chapel)
- 7 p.m. - Grateful Yoga Ministry (Chapel)
- Progressive Christianity (254)
- Staff Pastor Parish (225)

TUESDAY • SEPTEMBER 10

- 8:30 a.m. - Mom's in Prayer (232)
- 9 a.m. - Elderberries (UL)
- Parent's Day Out (LL)
- 10 a.m. - LaLeche League Meeting (250)
- 6 p.m. - Riverwalk Quilters (FH)
- 6:15 p.m. - Stephen Leaders (226)
- 7 p.m. - Stephen Ministry (226)
- 7:15 p.m. - Grace Praise Team (AC)
- Race and Religion Meeting (225)
- 7:30 p.m. - Al/Anon (232)

WEDNESDAY • SEPTEMBER 11

- 9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)
- Parent's Day Out (LL)
- 4 p.m. - Children's Bells (160)
- 5 p.m. - Cherub Choir (232)
- Jr Singers (171)
- Portico (234)
- 7 p.m. - Grace Bells (160)
- 7:15 p.m. - New Life Singers (Sanc)

THURSDAY • SEPTEMBER 12

- 9 a.m. - Elderberries (UL)
- Parent's Day Out (LL)
- 9:30 a.m. - Disciple Fast Track (254)
- 12 p.m. - Over 50 Fellowship (FH)
- 1 p.m. - Treble Tikes (122)
- 7 p.m. - Chancel Choir (Sanc)
- 7:30 p.m. - CoDa Meeting (225)

FRIDAY • SEPTEMBER 13

- 9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)

SATURDAY • SEPTEMBER 14

- 9 a.m. - Elderberries (UL)
- 5 p.m. - Saturday Evening Service (AC)

SUNDAY • SEPTEMBER 15

- 8 a.m. - Super Suds on Sunday (LL)
- 8 & 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 9 a.m. - Gathering Worship (AC)
- 12 p.m. - Youth Choir (Sanc)
- 1:30 p.m. - Youth Bells (160)

MONDAY • SEPTEMBER 16

- 9 a.m. - Temple Builders (AC)
- Parent's Day Out (LL)
- 9:30 a.m. - UMW Quilters (FS)
- 1 p.m. - Sisters Bible Study (254)
- 3 p.m. - Prayer Ministry (Chapel)
- 7 p.m. - Board of Trustees (225)
- Grateful Yoga Ministry (Chapel)
- Progressive Christianity (254)

TUESDAY • SEPTEMBER 17

- 8:30 a.m. - Mom's in Prayer (232)
- 9 a.m. - Elderberries (UL)
- Parent's Day Out (LL)
- 9:15 a.m. - PDO Board Meeting (225)
- 6:30 p.m. - UMW Priscilla (FS)
- 7 p.m. - Bonhoeffer Study (254)
- Cancer Support (Chapel)
- Stewardship & Finance (226)
- 7:15 p.m. - Grace Praise Team (AC)
- 7:30 p.m. - Al/Anon (232)

GRACE IN MISSION

September 7- 8, 2019

Welcome to Life at Grace United Methodist Church

Adult Faith Formation Conversations!

Join us today (Sunday, September 8), at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will consider the origins and global expansion of the Wesleyan Methodist movement in the 18th and 19th centuries with Dr. Jeffrey Barbeau, a member of Grace Church and professor of theology at Wheaton College. Celebrating the publication of his latest book, The Spirit of Methodism: From the Wesleys to a Global Communion, Dr. Barbeau will explore "the ways we are connected to a global community of believers. This book is designed to help us all understand where we come from and how we are all connected." Join us for an overview of his work, an introduction to some of Methodism's amazing stories, and for a rich conversation about our faith. You can find discounted copies of The Spirit of Methodism available for purchase in Fellowship Hall.

Let's Connect!

Please stop by the Connection Center in the Gathering Space today (Sunday, September 8) between services to learn more about Grace Connect. Missy Hoekstra-Hecht will be available to show you just how easy Grace Connect is to use. Grace Connect will be utilized more often at Grace Church for a number of opportunities including online giving, communication, signing up for classes, etc.

Over 50 Fellowship!

Enjoy friendship, a delicious lunch, and a unique learning opportunity at the meeting of Over 50 Fellowship on **Thursday, September 12**. Our speaker will be Joe Jackson, the current Director of Administration, Finance and Human Resources at Hesus House in Aurora. Working for Hesus House has been one of the most rewarding experiences of his life. His desire, along with what he describes as divine intervention, took him from the corporate world to Hesus House. **Sign up at the Welcome Desk by Monday, September 9, at noon.** We will have lunch at noon and the program at 1 p.m. Lunch will cost \$10 in cash, payable at the door. If you sign up, we will prepare a meal for you. If you cannot attend, please make arrangements to pay and pick up your food at the Church kitchen. Contact Martha Sanders (bmarzink@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

Treble Tikes Pre-K Music Offering

We guarantee you and your child will love it! Classes begin **Thursday, September 12, at 1 p.m.** Fun is just a click away! Class size is limited. Register now at peopleofgrace.org/registration. In this age of concerns over limiting kids' screen time, the Children's Music Ministry at Grace offers an amazing opportunity once a week that promises you and your child pure joy – no charger needed!

We sing. We jump. We dance. We imagine. We explore. We play and we pray. The class engages the Musikgarten Cycle of Seasons curriculum for pre-K children ages 3-5 (with a caregiver) and incorporates a faith-based view celebrating God's wonderful creation. The fall class runs from September 12 through December 12 and is offered free as an extension of the Children's Music Ministry. **Register today** (peopleofgrace.org/registration) to reserve your and your child's place at the Treble Tikes welcome rug! Contact Lynn Leitzen (lynn.leitzen@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

Super Suds on Sunday!

Grace Youth Summer Missions Team is getting a jump start on fundraising for our 2019-2020 mission season with Super Suds on Sunday Car Wash. All are invited to bring your dirty car to worship on **Sunday, September 15**, park in the lower lot, and leave in a clean car after it has been washed by our youth (and adults) from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.! **For safety**, the lower lot will be closed during the event. Handicap accessible parking will be available for those needing elevator access; just talk to the parking attendant. Contact Gaye Lynn Loufek (gayelynn.loufek@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.



Bible Sunday Celebration!

All Kindergarten and 3rd Grade families are invited to register their child(ren) to receive a Bible on **Sunday, September 22**, in worship at 10:30 a.m. After receiving their Bibles, children will attend our Annual Bible Fair in Fellowship Hall for a time of getting to know their Bible through games, Bible navigation and, of course, fun snacks. Register your child(ren) at peopleofgrace.org/children-Bible. **Deadline to register is Sunday, September 15.** We look forward to seeing all Kindergarten and 3rd Grade students and their families! Contact Chamus Burnside-Savazzini (chamus@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

Kitchen Renovation Project

The good news is Demo Day is almost here! The bad news is the kitchen will be out of commission from Monday, September 23, until the completion of the project, tentatively set for Friday, October 4. The Kitchen Renovation Team has worked closely with the staff to minimize the impact on any events planned in this area.

The tentative schedule is as follows:

- Demolition of the kitchen will take place the week of September 23 -26.
- Installation of new flooring, cabinets, and countertops will take place starting Friday, September 27.
- The whole project is scheduled to be completed by Friday, October 4, just in time for the Harvest Home Dinner.

Please do not enter the kitchen during this time; it will be marked as closed. Thank you all for your patience during this endeavor. We will soon have a great-looking and functional kitchen!

Parenting With Grace

"Parenting with Grace" is an exciting new group at Grace Church designed to inform and connect parents and everyone who cares for children and teens. Guided by our faith, the group will host quarterly events with an invited guest speaker who will address specific topics of interest to our parenting community. These meetings will not only provide important information and a forum for conversation but will also help us share and celebrate our parenting experiences with one another.

"Parenting with Grace" is excited to announce that on **Sunday, October 6, at 4 p.m.** (after the Bears game) in Fellowship Hall, we will be hosting Mary Browning to talk about Technology and Parenting. Mary Browning is the Community Education/Crime Prevention Specialist from the Naperville Police Department and has spoken to Grace's confirmands and their parents in the past. She will have much to share for parents with kids of all ages who wrestle with the role of technology at home and school.

Find us on Grace Connect at peopleofgrace.org/grace-connect in groups under "Parenting with Grace" and on Facebook under the "Parenting with Grace Group" to receive regular updates. Please RSVP to attend our October 6 event at peopleofgrace.org/parenting. Childcare will be provided for 6 weeks through 5th grade. We hope to see you there!



In Brief

New Youth Fundraiser — Are your trash bins dirty? Do they smell like garbage pick-up day? Grace Youth Summer Missions is coming to the rescue! During the month of September, Grace Youth Ministry has partnered with Eco Trash Bin Clean to provide a way for you to have clean and fresh smelling garbage cans and for Youth Summer Missions to raise money for 2020 trips! For each appointment scheduled, Eco Clean will donate \$5 to our youth. Please text or call 630-352-8022 to set up an appointment and to learn pricing for your area. Simply mention (in your text or phone call) your name, complete address and our code word "GRACE" to set up an appointment and give the fundraising credit to our youth. Don't forget to tell your friends, post to your Facebook page (and any neighborhood or other community Facebook pages with which you are affiliated). Please help our youth missions team begin to prepare for a successful 2020 season! Contact Gaye Lynn Loufek (gayelynn.loufek@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

Progressive Christianity will begin an eight-week DVD study of *ProFuture Faith* with Rev. Michael Dowd on Monday, September 9, at 7 p.m. in room 254. Rev. Dowd says: "We are living in a challenging and confusing time and religion and science each has a vital role to play in assisting humanity in coming home to reality. Given our impact on Earth's climate, soils, seas, forests, and other species, we are already in the early stages of, what could be called, 'The Great Reckoning'. The good news is that this could also be 'The Great Homecoming,' - humanity, the prodigal species, after squandering our inheritance, coming home to Life by honoring evidence as authoritative and ecology as the heart of theology." Contact Linda Rings (lrings@me.com) or Rev. Dr. Carol Findon (revdrcrf@aol.com) for more information.

Choral Evensong — Join us on Sunday, September 22, for Choral Evensong in the Sanctuary. Experience the beauty of holiness in a fresh and ancient way. Come as you are! Leave renewed! A short music program precedes each service at 3:30 p.m., Sung Evensong from 4 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. and a reception follows in the Gathering Space. Sung Evensong consists of hymns, psalms, choral music and scripture readings that follow the ancient format from the Book of Common Prayer. Contact Dan Wagner (dan.wagner@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

Harvest Home Dinner — This traditional dinner and program will be held on Wednesday, October 9, from 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Tickets will go on sale at the Welcome Desk on Sunday, September 22. More details to come. Contact Joan Meador (joancstarr@aol.com) for more information.

Companions Journeying Together, part of UMW, is once again collecting Christmas cards and postage stamps for prisoners in Illinois. We are also collecting 2020 calendars for Loaves and Fishes. Donations can be placed in the Get Connected Center cabinet lower right-hand doors marked "2020 Calendars and Christmas Cards" located in the new Gathering Space. Contact Nancy Lindberg (nanjquilter@comcast.net) for more information.

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