

Fall Festival

Sunday, October 28

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tickets \$5/per person or \$20 family

Tickets On Sale:
Narthex on Sundays starting October 7
and Church Office during the week.



Youth Zone Belgian Draft Horses Petting Zoo Bake Walk
Bounce House Truck or Treat Food

Contact Gaye Lynn (gayelynn.loufek@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

Grace Notes

Gather to Christ • Grow as Disciples • Go to Serve

A Communications Ministry of Grace United Methodist Church, Naperville

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More Than Enough

By Rev. Cindy Marino

Ever had a mouthful of flour? Or baking soda? Or salt? Or raw eggs?

These are a few of the ingredients that go into making thick, chewy, rich chocolate chunk cookies. And you would think that since they combine so well they would each be delectable on their own. But as we well know, each without the other is less likely to satisfy our hunger or our sweet tooth.

And yet, if any of the ingredients were left out, the cookie would not be the same.

The cookies without eggs would be hard and crumbly. Without flour, they would be doughy and lumpy. The consistency and taste would resemble everything but the melty



magnificence we expect. And so it is with the church! It takes all kinds of people with all kinds of gifts to make the body whole and able to serve as it is designed to do: attract others to Christ and go out to be a gift of love to the world.

As we consider our participation in Grace UMC and in the body of Christ, I invite us all to be mindful of just how vital each of us is to the whole. Whether giving of our dollars for the budget, our emotional energy for prayer, our presence for the comfort and support of others, or our gifts in practical ways to keep the body moving and healthy, we are not the same if one is missing.

As a reminder of this fact, each person who turns in a commitment of giving card will be treated to a giant chocolate chip cookie. A bit of a gimmick ... but with much meaning behind it. Let's come together to make Grace UMC a gift of love to the world.

Over 50 Fellowship

Come join us on Friday, November 2, at noon in Fellowship Hall as Bettye Wehrl, a distant cousin of Sergeant Alvin C. York, tells us his unique story of service in World War I, how he earned the Medal of Honor, and unknown facts about this perilous time in our nation's history.



Alvin C. York came from a strict religious family in north central Tennessee. After a wild and unconstrained youth, he became a pacifist. His religion believed that "Thou Shalt Not Kill" was a commandment to be honored. Reluctantly, York was drafted into the Army near the end of the First World War. Fortunately for him, his commander was a Biblical scholar. This officer appreciated York's beliefs and granted York a ten-day leave of absence to better understand the commandment. After soul-searching, York went to France with extraordinary skills as a sharpshooter, honed in the hills of Tennessee. Despite being pinned down by German machine gun fire, York led a charge to capture over 100 Germans.

Sign-up will be in the Church Office until Monday, October 29, at noon. \$10 cash payable at the door. **Note: the date is on a Friday, the first week of November!**

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN PRESENTS

The Art of Advent

Annunciation and Nativity

Featured Speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cochran



Tuesday, December 4, at 9 a.m.
in Fellowship Hall

Free Event! All are welcome!

Images of God

First of An Ongoing Series

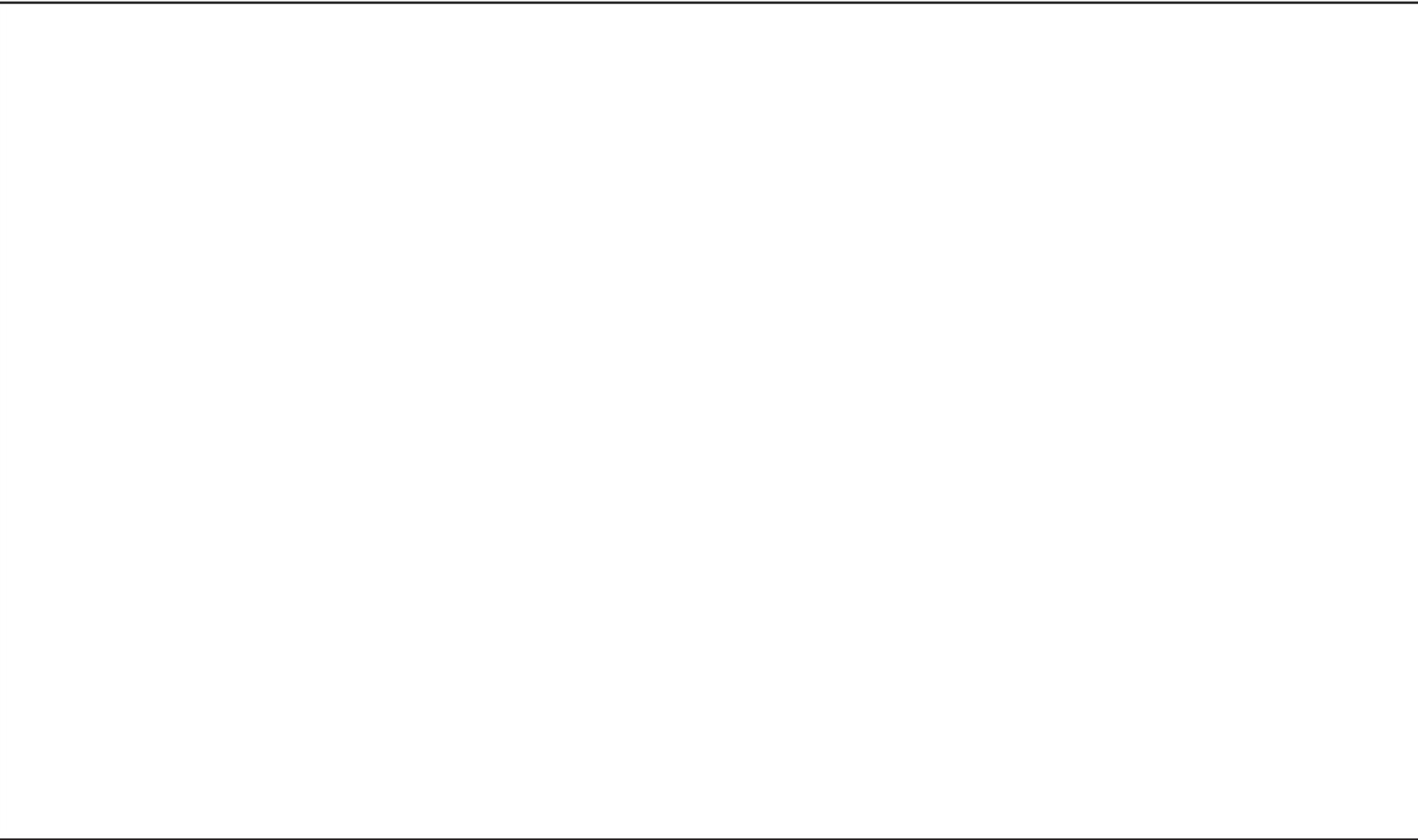


What do you imagine Jesus looks like? What about God? The Holy Spirit? Christians have a rich tradition of using images to convey our beliefs about the Trinity as well as what it means to be "fearfully and wonderfully made" in the image of God.

Join Pastor Daniel as he leads a 3-week conversation and study about some of these powerful and provocative images. Together we'll learn about our Christian past, reflect on the present, and look toward the future of the church. We'll meet in Fellowship Hall at 11 a.m. on Sundays, November 18, 25, and December 2. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided.

Contact Pastor Daniel (daniel.cochran@peopleofgrace.org) for more information.

Upcoming Events at Grace



**KEEP CALM
AND
GO TO
EVENSONG**

**Evensong for Thanksgiving
Sunday, November 18**

3:30 p.m. Pre-Service Recital, Tom Colao

4 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Choral Evensong

4:45 p.m. Tea Reception

Gift of Love

...A Festive Christmas Concert for the Community...

**The Grace Festival Choir and
Gift of Love Orchestra**

Sunday, December 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Tickets available now at www.peopleofgrace.org/concerts

Save the Date! Christmas Eve Services



12 p.m. Traditional Service with Communion featuring the Grace Bell Ensemble.

3 p.m. Intergenerational Service featuring the Grace Children's Choirs

4:30 p.m. Intergenerational Service featuring the Grace Praise Team

8 p.m. Traditional Candlelight Service with Communion featuring New Life Singers.

10 p.m. Traditional Lessons and Carols Candlelight Service featuring the Chancel Choir.