



## Seasons of the Soul

(Being with Jesus in Every Season of Your Soul)

### Messages this month

**DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE SEASON?** Perhaps the beauty of a new fallen snow is glorious in your eyes? Maybe it's the colorful blossoms of flowers just opening in the Spring? Does the warmth of the summer sun make you rejoice? Are you excited by the all the fresh veg and fruit of the autumn harvest? What is your favorite season of the year? Like seasons on the calendar, there are seasons of the soul, different moments and periods of time, each with their own beauty, and each with their own challenges. This month in worship we will explore the seasons of the soul; the beauty of each, the dangers of each, and how we journey through each season with God.

We look forward to a variety of music during the month from; Glorietta Benigno, Maragret Jewett, Julie Probert, the Grace Worship Team, and Erma Hawkes with the Grace Church Choir.

#### MESSAGES

<b>February 2</b>	Winter (Pastor Peter)
<b>February 9</b>	Spring (Pastor Peter)
<b>February 16</b>	Summer (Pastor Peter)
<b>February 23</b>	Autumn (Pastor Peter)



**THANK YOU** for the continued support of the Greener Village Food Bank! Donations are received the first Sunday of the month, please drop them off in the Welcome Centre (big white box) or during the week at the office (9 AM—4 PM).

**NEW TO GRACE?** If this is your first or second time coming to Grace, welcome! We would love to meet you and get to know you. The pew in front of you should have a yellow Connection Card. Please fill it out and drop it in the one of the offering boxes as you exiting the sanctuary. Check out our website [gracememorial.ca](http://gracememorial.ca) for updates, services and much more.

#### GRACE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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 Church Office Administrator  
 Custodian

Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes  
 Rev. Jim Bae  
 Rev. Scott Dunham  
 Erma Hawkes  
 Julie Probert  
 Lisa Melanson  
 Vonda Johnson

**GRACE WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE FEB 5-12**

**At Home:** Heather Fletcher-Switzer, Teddy & Claire Randall, Rose Marie Patterson, Helen Currie, Shirley Pierpoint, Sheila Martin, Edgar & Dorothy Barrieau, Marg & Stephanie Pollock, James Rankine, Lawrence Steeves, Erma Hawkes, Sherrie Evans, Lisa Lohnes, Gerry Crouse, Sylvia Dykeman

**Eden Retirement Villa:** Hazel Ridley

**Farraline Place:** Phyllis Betts

**Shannex:** Gregory Nickerson, David Ridley, Mavis Hallett

**Windsor Court:** Dorothy Dean

**GRACE YOUTH Please pray for the month of February:**

- Our focus to be to always love our neighbors, love our enemies, love ourselves, but most importantly love God. Pray that we are reminded that we love because it was God who loved us first.

**Thank you for praying for our youth as they grow in CHRIST**

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Please pray in the month of February:**

- **That our kids, leaders, volunteers, and parents** would better understand God and his **LOVE**. The scriptures are full of God's love, mercy, and grace. Pray they would have an open heart to Romans 5:8 and praise God for His unfailing, unconditional love! Pray Christ will reveal himself to our younger generations and that they may learn more about him.

**PRAYER MINISTRY** is always available and welcomes your prayer requests. Please send them by email to Kathleen Brewer at [kbrewer168@gmail.com](mailto:kbrewer168@gmail.com) or by phone 506-449-0848. New members are always welcome.



**PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM** Looking for someone to pray with confidentially with you? A member of the Prayer Ministry Team will be available after worship each Sunday at the front of the sanctuary. You will then be accompanied to the Prayer Room for privacy. (available after in person services)

**GOING TO HOSPITAL?** Even though limited visiting is now open in Horizon Health facilities, clergy and pastoral care people no longer know whether a particular person is in hospital or not. If you find yourself or a loved one in the hospital and desire a pastoral visit, please let family or a friend contact the church office so that we can be an encouragement and support.

- Mar 4** Samuel Benigno
- Mar 5** Kate Thompson
- Mar 7** Teddy Randall
- Mar 8** Sherrie Evans
- Mar 10** Kendell Dunham
- Mar 11** Guna Kulasegaram
- Mar 12** Meaghan Clarke
- Mar 13** Summer (Jacey) Dumosdos
- Mar 15** Emily Burke

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- Mar 17** Gerry Taylor
- Mar 21** Carol Dickinson
- Mar 23** Adebola Afolabi Sanni & Bob Walton
- Mar 25** Jim Rankine & Kaia Dumosdos
- Mar 26** Florence Stokes
- Mar 27** Cindy DeAdder

*If you do not see your celebration date and would like it to be added, please contact the office.*



## MEET YOUR SENT TEAM



Reshape  
Your World

Late in the year, Grace offered anyone interested the opportunity to grow in their faith and discipleship through a SENT Team. These trips allow a participant to get out of their normal routine and surroundings and examine their discipleship journey in a completely different context. The trip also allows the team member to see and be inspired by how God is at work in different parts of our world. Teams typically spent 10 to 14 days serving

alongside local churches and Canadian Baptist Ministries field staff in one of the several countries where CBM works. Grace was offered the option of returning to the Dominican Republic where we had sent a team in 2020, to work with Katherine Scott who is also our CBM partner in mission. The team will be in the DR from June 20 to 30. Part of the cost of the trip is paid by the participants, part by a grant from the church and part through fundraising efforts.

We have six who will make up the team in June: Pastor Jim and Pastor Peter, Cara Bae, Patrick Campbell, Afolabi Sanni and Kate Thompson. Each Sunday in February you will get to hear a short testimony by one of the team members.

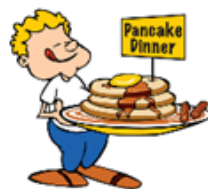


### There are three fundraising events planned at present.

**1. Sweetheart Tea** 2pm Friday February 14th: A special afternoon of entertainment, music, desserts, tea (or coffee), and fellowship on the reddest day of the year. While you can certainly bring along a special person, any individual is welcome to come as we take a moment to celebrate and fellowship together. Tickets are just \$10 per person or \$15 per couple and available at the Welcome Centre Kiosk on Sundays or from the church office during regular office hours (9-4) until Feb 12th. If you are willing to donate some small desserts (cookies, squares, chocolates, sweets) for the event, please contact Kate Thompson at 506-292-8607 or [katethomp@gmail.com](mailto:katethomp@gmail.com).



**2. Pancake Tuesday Supper** 4pm-6pm March 4th: Also known as Shrove Tuesday, traditionally pancakes are served on the night before the first day of Lent (the 40 days leading up to Easter). Our supper will have pancakes with choices of syrup and berry toppings, sausages, baked beans and a variety of desserts. \$10 for adults and \$7 for kids 12 and under. Preschoolers are free. The team would welcome donations of cakes or pies or other desserts along with any volunteers who would like to help with the meal. Speak with Pastor Peter or Pastor Jim.



**3. Indoor Yard Sale Saturday** April 12 8am to Noon: Do you have stuff you might not need any longer, but might be treasured by someone else? Downsizing or just making space in your home? We would welcome your donations of saleable items. They can be dropped off at the church or make arrangements with one of the team members.

## THURSDAY PRAYER LUNCHES



Join us weekly on Thursdays from Noon to 1pm in the Family Centre this winter for a time of lunch and prayer. Each week will spend the first twenty minutes nourishing the body with a light lunch of soup and bread (no dessert) and then 30 to 40 minutes nourishing our souls in prayer. We will aim to be done on time to get you back to work or on with the rest of your afternoon. No praying experience necessary, and no one will be put on the spot. Everyone is welcome to join us in this special season of prayer as we seek God's leading in both our life and the life of the church.

**BUILDING A COMMUNITY OF GRACE;  
A CHRIST CENTERED MOSAIC**

**MANY PEOPLES—ONE COMMUNITY**



## ANNUAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

1PM, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

This annual congregational meeting is an important moment to **CELEBRATE** some of the amazing things God has done in the past year and anticipate ministry opportunities in this new year. We'll review reports from 2024, make decisions on plans and budgets for 2025, and vote on leaders for the next year. We'll have lunch after worship and then start the meeting in the Family Centre at about 1pm, with a zoom option available for those who are unable to attend in person. Anyone is welcome to attend, although only members are able to vote.

**COMMUNITY IMPACT PARTNER PROGRAM:** In partnership with JoyFm and a dozen other churches across the city, each month we are highlighting the work of a nonprofit agency seeking to make a difference in Fredericton. These agencies are working with the vulnerable, people dealing with food or housing insecurity and making a positive impact in our community. Along with highlighting the work of each nonprofit, each month will also include a hands-on project in support of that agency.

### February's Community Impact Partner



This month's community impact partner is the Village of Hope. Village of Hope is a faith-based addiction recovery program that helps individuals (men and women) overcome addiction through a combination of Christian teachings, relationship rebuilding, personal responsibility, and trauma healing. Their approach includes various stages of recovery through a one-year program and then the option of a second year of leadership training. They also have programs for family recovery. The village also offers meaningful work experience through a saw mill which produces wooden pallets and elegant cutting boards. In the spring they tap over 1000 trees to produce maple syrup and they have an ever increasing garden, the produce of which is used in the kitchen and to teach students the art of processing and canning food. Learn more about Village of Hope at [villageofhope.ca](http://villageofhope.ca).



### VISION TEAM 2025-2030

Late in 2024 the Leadership Board has commissioned a small Vision Team to develop the vision and goals which will give direction to Grace's ministries for the next five years (2025-2030). They began their work in January with a process of research, assessment of current ministries and consultation with the congregation. It is anticipated the whole process will take about six months and that the team will eventually bring a Five-Year Emphasis document to a congregational meeting for approval in the late spring or early summer. This month they continue to seek feedback through visiting small groups, listening sessions at the Annual Meeting and a survey of the congregation.

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### Cont. Vision Team 2025-2030

Along with our pastors, members of the team include Karen Ancheta, Dale Sproull and Cindy DeAdder. Please be in prayer for this team and for our congregation as a whole as we enter this season of discernment.

### Weekly Prayer Emphasis for Vision Team:

- ♥ February 1-8: Pray for the team as they listen to the various groups and reflect on what God might be saying through our people.
- ♥ February 9-15: Pray for the team and the congregation as they prepare for the listening sessions at the annual meeting. Pray all might come with a desire to discover through each other God's leading for the people of Grace.
- ♥ February 16-22: Pray as they begin to process what they have been hearing and discern common ideas God may have in store for us.
- ♥ February 23-28: Continue to pray for the team as they digest and evaluate feedback from the congregation and research in both the church and our community. Pray God's leading might become clearer.

### THE COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR IS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025

For an ninth year, we are forming a **Grace Walkers Team** for the Coldest Night of the Year. In 2024, the team raised over **\$2,100** for homelessness in the Fredericton area. This year our goal is **\$2000** Walkers will meet at the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre on Regent St. around 4:30pm and begin walking a 5km route at 5:00pm. We'll return to the centre for an amazing bowl of hot soup to wrap up. Anyone and everyone is welcome to join the team and if you happened to raise \$150 or more in sponsors, you get one of the exclusive CNOY toques. And yeah, we know you want one!



### To join the team.

1. [Go to cnoy.org](http://cnoy.org). Login if you have walked before or register if this is your first time.
2. Once you've registered, join the Grace Walkers Team in Fredericton.
3. Let your friends and family know so they can sponsor you.

### To support the team or walkers.

1. [Go to cnoy.org](http://cnoy.org)
2. Search "Grace Walkers" to find the team or search for the name of a particular person you want to support.
3. Click on Grace Walkers (Fredericton) to go the team's page.
4. Click on the donate button and follow the instructions to donate to the team or individual.

All funds raised will support efforts to assist the homeless in Fredericton through the John Howard Society.

**Thank you for supporting our community!**



# Graceland

Wednesday Afterschool Event for Kids



# SCHEDULE FOR GRACE FEBRUARY 2025

<b>Sun, Feb 2 ~ Communion &amp; Food Bank</b>	
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
<b>Tues, Feb 4</b>	
Peter Lohnes, GG, Par	7:00 PM
<b>Wed, Feb 5</b>	
Graceland, FC, gym	12:30 PM
Worship Team, Sa	7:00 PM
College & Careers, GG, Par	7:00 PM
<b>Thurs, Feb 6</b>	
Prayer Lunch, FC	12:00 PM
M & D Sproull, GG, Par	6:30 PM
Grace Church Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
<b>Fri, Feb 7</b>	
Grace Youth, gym, FC	7:00 PM
<b>Sun, Feb 9</b>	
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
<b>Mon, Feb 10</b>	
Thomas & Brunswick Hall, Shannex service	2 PM & 3 PM
Leadership Team, BR	6:00 PM
Monday Night Group, GG, Par	6:30 PM
<b>Tues, Feb 11</b>	
Craft Group, Par	1:30 PM
Peter Lohnes, GG, Par	7:00 PM
<b>Wed, Feb 12</b>	
Graceland, FC, gym	12:30 PM
College & Careers, GG, Par	7:00 PM
<b>Thurs, Feb 13</b>	
Prayer Lunch, FC	12:00 PM
Grace Church Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
<b>Fri, Feb 14</b>	
Sweetheart Tea, FC (SENT Team Fundraiser)	2:00 PM
Grace Youth, gym, FC	7:00 PM
<b>Sun, Feb 16</b>	
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Lunch, Gym & Annual Business Meeting, FC	12 & 1 PM
<b>Schedule continues on to the next page</b>	
<b>Rooms:</b> Sanctuary; Sa, Parlour; Par, Welcome Centre; WC, Family Centre; FC	
Grace Groups; GG (see chart)	

<b>Sun, Feb 2</b>	
<b>Ushers:</b> 1 Eric Smith 2 Ed Stairs 3 Gerry Taylor	
<b>WC Greeter:</b> Sarah Gunaseelan	
<b>Media:</b> Emilio Ancheta	
<b>Prayer Team:</b> Scott Dunham	
<b>Sun, Feb 9</b>	
<b>Ushers:</b> 1 Mel Sproull 2 Patsy Burke 3 Blair Burke	
<b>WC Greeter:</b> Janet Howland	
<b>Media:</b> Kate Thompson	
<b>Prayer Team:</b> Lisa Lohnes	
<b>Sun, Feb 16</b>	
<b>Ushers:</b> 1 Afolabi Sanni 2 Daniel Corrier 3 Shade Oyedepo	
<b>WC Greeter:</b> Doreen McClare	
<b>Media:</b> Emilio Ancheta	
<b>Prayer Team:</b> Esther Bae	
<b>Sun, Feb 23</b>	
<b>Ushers:</b> 1 Ray Schriver 2 Bob Walton 3 John Curtis	
<b>WC Greeter:</b> Carol Jarvis	
<b>Media:</b> Reymer Salvador	
<b>Prayer Team:</b> Adebola Afolabi Sanni	



Please be in prayer for our Men's Retreat at Snider Mountain from Feb 7-9th.



We wish to send our deepest condolences and prayers to Lorraine Cook on the loss of her only brother Allison McIntosh.

He passed on January 30/25 at the URVH in Waterville.

<b>Mon, Feb 17 ~ Happy Family Day ~ office closed</b>	
<b>Tues, Feb 18</b>	
Peter Lohnes, GG, Par	7:00 PM
<b>Wed, Feb 19</b>	
Graceland, FC, gym	12:30 PM
College & Career, GG, Par	7:00 PM
<b>Thurs, Feb 20</b>	
Prayer Lunch, FC	12:00 PM
M & D Sproull, GG, Par	6:30 PM
Grace Church Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
<b>Fri, Feb 21</b>	
Grace Youth, gym, FC	7:00 PM
<b>Sun, Feb 23</b>	
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
<b>Mon, Feb 24</b>	
Monday Night Group, GG, Par	6:30 PM
<b>Tues, Feb 25</b>	
Craft Group, Par	1:30 PM
Peter Lohnes, GG, Par	7:00 PM
<b>Wed, Feb 26</b>	
Graceland, FC, gym	12:30 PM
College & Career, GG, Par	7:00 PM
<b>Thurs, Feb 27</b>	
Prayer Lunch, FC	12:00 PM
Connection Team, BR	1:30 PM
Grace Church Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
<b>Fri, Feb 28</b>	
Grace Youth, gym, FC	7:00 PM



The **Nursery** is located off the Welcome Centre, is currently available during services for families with adult supervision. In the main space, services are Livestreamed so parents can still watch the service. This quiet space provides toys, books, and a rocking chair. A semi-private room is set up for all newborn needs.



**GRACE KIDS** Children in Kindergarten to Grade 5 will begin in the worship service with the whole community. Midway through the service, children are invited to follow our leaders and volunteers to the Family Centre for an age-appropriate program.



**GRACELAND** It is a weekly program on Wednesdays, from 12:30-2:30 PM, for grades K-5 at the Grace Memorial Church. An afternoon of fun adventures, playing games, listening to exciting bible stories, getting creative with new crafts, and just enjoying spending time with children their own age. Parents are able to register children on the website at [gracememorial.ca](http://gracememorial.ca) on the online form.



The **Library** is located in the Family Centre and is open half an hour before service and again after service. This is a wonderful resource for everything from books, music, bible studies, movies, resource bible books and much more! Everyone from toddlers to adults can enjoy this outreach. If you have questions please contact Danielle at [schriver.danielle@gmail.com](mailto:schriver.danielle@gmail.com) or contact the office.



**Pickleball** Join us weekly in the gym on Sundays at 2:30-4 PM. Jim will provide training and teaching for basic skills and how to play and understand the game. Time will be divided into two sessions that consist of drills and playing games on the court. Questions please contact Pastor Jim Bae; [Jimbae3@gmail.com](mailto:Jimbae3@gmail.com).



**Grace Youth** is weekly on Fridays from 7 - 9 PM, this high-energy community of middle and high school students meets from November to Mid-June. We focus on helping students to think more deeply about what God is saying to us in His word and helping them to form their own opinions about Christ. New youth are always welcome. (any time of the year!) Contact Peter or Maiah ; [graceyouthfredericton@gmail.com](mailto:graceyouthfredericton@gmail.com).



### WAYS TO GIVE AT GRACE



**Thank you** for your faithful giving. There are three primary methods of giving to Grace:



**In-Person Offering:** As you enter the sanctuary there are Offering Boxes just inside each door. Drop your offering into one of these boxes at worship. Or drop your donation off at the church office during office hours (9 am-4 pm Monday to Friday.)



**Pre-Authorized Debit:** You can set up an automatic withdrawal from your account to Grace. There are various options for time(s) of the month. See T.J. Smith (Treasurer) or contact the church office for the forms to set-up your giving.



**E-Transfer:** Send e-transfers using the email address: [treasureratgrace536@gmail.com](mailto:treasureratgrace536@gmail.com). Please clearly indicate in the message section how much you are giving to particular funds. (Ex: Current, Missions, Building, Benevolent, Easter)

### OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE AT GRACE

There are 4 primary funds to which people designate offerings:

**Current – The Ministry of Grace.** This fund supports everything we do as a congregation.

**Missions - Supporting our Ministry Partners:** This fund supports our donations to our partners such as Canadian Baptist Ministries (around the world) Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (Atlantic Provinces), Baptist Chaplaincy in the hospitals, Greenhill Lake Camp, Acadia Divinity College, Crandall University, and more.

**Building – Major Property Repairs:** This fund is used to help with major repairs to the church building such as a roof.

**Benevolent – People in Emergency Need:** This fund is used to help congregants and community people when they are facing a financial crisis for whatever reason.

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP IN THE FOYER**

### Financial Summary as of December 2024

<b>CURRENT ACCOUNT</b>	<b>52 Sundays</b>
Regular Offering	278,067.81
Loose Offering	1,112.35
Initial Offering (Envelopes)	110.00
Thanksgiving	4,552.00
Christmas	9,208.00
Easter	6,855.00
Summer Camp Registrations	7,125.00
Rentals	31,991.00
<b>* Total Current</b>	<b>\$339,021.16</b>
Less: Expenditures	375,512.95
<b>Ending Deficit</b>	<b>- 36,491.79</b>
<b>MISSIONS ACCOUNT</b>	
Target for Year (Regular)	42,500.00
Target for (Thanksgiving)	2,500.00
Target for (Christmas)	2,500.00
<b>Target Total</b>	<b>47,500.00</b>
Actual Offerings (regular)	37,932.87
Actual Offerings Thanksgiving	1,833.00
Actual Offerings Christmas	2,169.00
<b>Actual Total</b>	<b>41,934.87</b>
<b>Shortfall from Target</b>	<b>-5,565.13</b>
<b>BUILDING ACCOUNT</b>	
Regular Offerings	6,815.72
Less Expenses	4,190.34
<b>** Total Building</b>	<b>2,625.38</b>
<b>* Current Acct Surplus 2023 (Estate Gift)</b>	<b>\$61,542.00</b>
<b>** Building Acct Surplus 2023</b>	<b>\$30,063.00</b>