



Messages this month

There's lots of special Sundays in May. We'll begin the month with a focus on families as we prepare for Mother's Day. Then for Pentecost we'll explore how the message of God's love extends to all nation, tribes, people and language. Finally for Trinity Sunday we'll consider what it means to experience fellowship with God.

We look forward to a variety of music during the month from; *Erma Hawkes and Grace Senior Choir, Grace Winds & Strings, Kathy Margeson, Yunjia Dai, Julie Probert, and Grace Worship Team.*

MESSAGES

- May 5** Communion-Healthy Parent Child Relationships (Pastor Jim Bae)
- May 12** Mother's Day-Lessons from Mom (Pastor Peter Lohnes)
- May 19** Pentecost Sunday-Every Nation, Every Tribe-People & Language (Pastor Peter Lohnes)
- May 26** Trinity Sunday-Fellowship of God (Pastor Peter Lohnes)



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).

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)

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 for updates, services and much more.

GRACE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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YouTube: [Grace Memorial Baptist Church](https://www.youtube.com/GraceMemorialBaptistChurch)

Senior Pastor	Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes
Community Engagement Pastor	Rev. Jim Bae
Pastor of Seniors Visitation	Rev. Dr. Scott Dunham
Organist/Accompanist	Julie Probert
Choir Director	Erma Hawkes
Church Office Administrator	Lisa Melanson



GRACE WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE MAY 5-12

DECH: Sylvia Dykeman, Maureen Arp

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

Eden Retirement Villa: Hazel Ridley

Farraline Place: Phyllis Betts

Shannex: Gregory Nickerson, David Ridley, Mavis Hallett, Doug Simmons

Windsor Court: Eileen Wallace



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



GRACE YOUTH Please pray for:

- Our wonderful capable bodies created by God. Please pray we use them to serve **HIS** purpose. May he guide our hands and feet to help others and our mouths to speak kindness and truth. Pray we praise Him and use our bodies to do only what is pleasing to Him .

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



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Please pray in the month of May:

- **Connections** across the generations will flourish in our church. Pray children, youth, and adults will find ways to build relationships across our congregation. Pray that children through the month May would give their mother's extra love and care.
- **God** would provide the perfect students and volunteers for our Summer Camps. And that these camps would build relationship with families in our community.

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.

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

MANY PEOPLES—ONE COMMUNITY



Join us Wed, May 15 at 7:00 PM at Grace Memorial Baptist Church for 'Listen' concert. The **Fredericton Kiwanis Youth Choir** is an auditioned treble choir for youth in the Fredericton region. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. Tickets and information can be found on our [Facebook page](#).



FERNE SEWELL WMS—Vision Statement: *Impacting the World for Christ.* Mission Statement: *Partnering to serve Christ in communities at home and around the world—learning and growing together.*

Join us **May 23rd at 1:15 PM**, in the church Parlour. May Devotional: Alice Gilmore, Program: Janet Howland, and Prayer Time: Marie Colwell. All women are welcome from the church. For more information, please contact Carolyn Brewer; cjbrewer100@gmail.com.



ATLANTIC BAPTIST WOMEN INVITES ALL WOMEN TO INTERMISSION 2024

*** EARLY REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED**

May 24-26 ~ Crandall University, Moncton, NB

Theme: Serve - Live Your Calling - ...live a life worthy of the calling you have received. – Ephesians 4:1 (NIV)

Great speakers, Meaningful Worship times, Inspirational and Informative Workshops, and much more!

Find out more at: <https://www.atlanticbaptistwomen.ca/intermission2024>

Calling all girls! Ages 9-12, you are invited to Camp interMISSION

May 24-26 ~ Crandall University, Moncton, NB

Enjoy good food, creative worship, games, a campfire, dress-up, storytelling, and more. Spend time with incredible women of faith. Discover how we can be empowered by God's love. Be part of making a difference through our Canadian Baptist Ministries mission project.

A Leader-In-Training track is also offered for girls 13-16 to help develop their leadership skills.

Details at: <https://www.atlanticbaptistwomen.ca/camp-intermission>

June 1	River Jones	June 16	A - Philip & Christina Clark
June 2	Allan Spurrell	June 19	Margaret Pollock
June 4	Hannah Clark	June 20	Stephanie Pollock
June 5	Marie Colwell		A - Kevin & Sarah Beattie
June 6	Allen Corey		A - Allan & Janet Spurrell
	A - Robert & Frances Hanson	June 21	Christopher Pollock
June 9	A - Leo Cruz & Joan Pascual	June 23	Shari Ross
	Sandra O'Connell	June 24	Noah Lohnes
June 10	Joanie Meyer	June 27	A - Allen & Sandra Corey
June 11	Judy Neal		Ernie O'Connell
	Carolyn Lovely		
June 12	A - Ed & Lee Evans		
June 13	Elizabeth Walton		
June 14	A - Guna Kulasegaram & Sarah Gunaseelan		
June 15	Laurie Bishop		
	Avaleigh Meyer		

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

We Need You to Bless Children This Summer! (And to have fun doing it!)

We are excited to start our search for volunteers for our summer camps! We need craft teachers, game leaders, cooks, snack people, song leaders, dance instructors, media crew, Bible Story tellers, knitting instructors, and most of all we need people who just love helping kids. We need adults, teens, and young people, who care about kids and want to make an impact in young lives for Jesus. If you would like to experience the joy of camp this summer, sign-up in the Welcome Centre or let us know through the church office when you are available and what roles you are interested in.

Summer Youth Employment



We have openings for two summer positions this year. Both positions are 35 hours per week for 8 weeks, and require some flexibility in working hours. The positions start June 24 and finish on August 18. Applicants should be between the ages of 16 and 29.

The main responsibilities will be to work as part of a team planning, promoting, and implementing the summer children's programs including, but not limited to Sunday morning Grace Kids, a Vacation Bible School program, and three other day camps, and some time in website editing. Applicants should be able to get along well with others, be able to clearly give instructions or directions to a group, and have a love for people, especially kids, with a desire to share Jesus. Skills or knowledge in sports, music, drama, crafts, outdoor activities and environmentalism would be considered an asset. You can find the full job posting in the weekly congregational email or asking Pastor Peter to send it to you. To apply please email your resume to gracememorialkids@gmail.com, and include three references, one of which should be a church leader or youth leader. Connect with Pastor Peter for more information.



We have **four** weeks of camp this summer with three different themes. Each camp is limited to 30 children, early registration encouraged. Each camp costs \$100 per child except for **VBS** week when the morning program is free and it will cost \$50 per child for those who stay for the afternoon program. You can find the online registration link at gracememorial.ca/2024-summer-camps/.

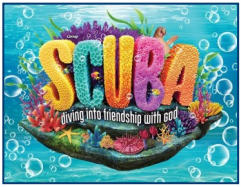
WILD WONDER CAMP

JULY 8 TO 12 AND JULY 29 TO AUGUST 2

FOR KIDS WHO COMPLETED KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 5



Get outside and discover what it means to care for God's Creation this summer! Wild Wonder Day Camps will include hands on exploration of creation, great songs with stories about creation, experiments, crafts, and games. It is focused on experiencing the **JOY** of getting to know more about creation, how to care for our environment, and how God cares for us. Some hiking and outdoor activities will be at the beautiful Odell Park.



SCUBA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 22 TO 26

KIDS AGE 4 TO GRADE 5

It's an amazing undersea adventure right here at Grace! where kids will experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. At Scuba VBS, kids will be immersed in friendship with God and discover what living water is really all about!

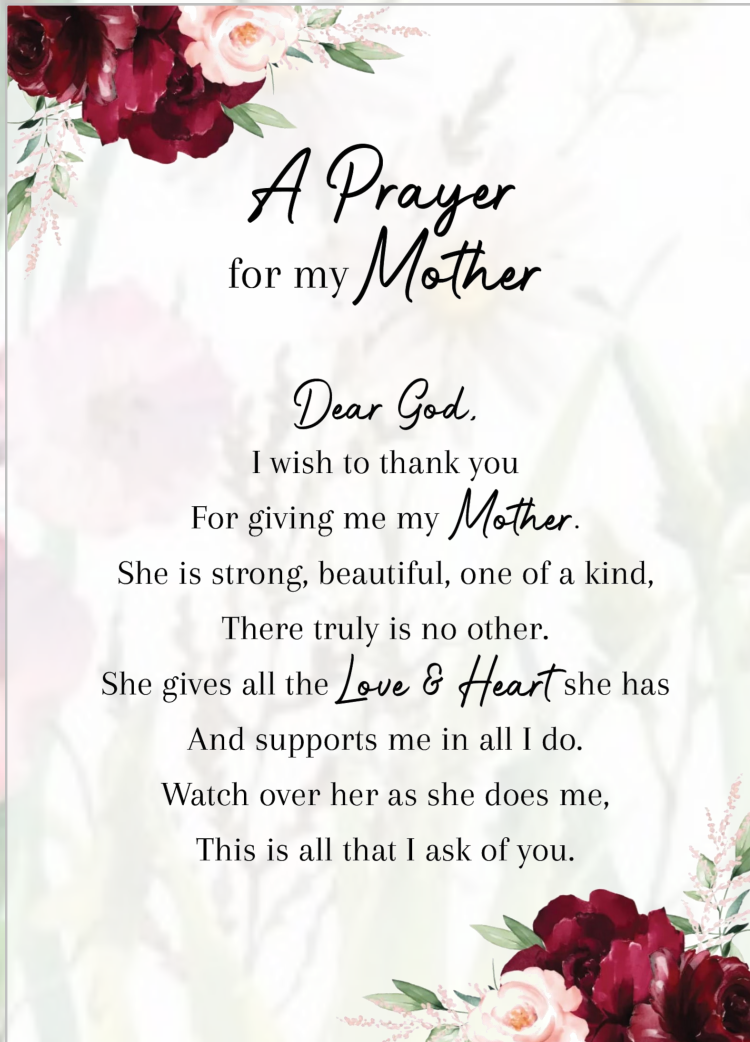
Create-a-Camp

August 19-23

For Kids who've completed Kindergarten to Grade 5



Create-a-Camp is a multiple options camp. Some activities will involve all the campers, but each day children will also get to choose different activities from several options such as sports, dance, cooking, movies, crafts, and more!



A Prayer for my Mother

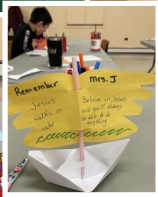
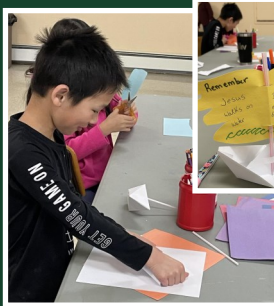
Dear God,

I wish to thank you
For giving me my *Mother*.

She is strong, beautiful, one of a kind,
There truly is no other.

She gives all the *Love & Heart* she has
And supports me in all I do.

Watch over her as she does me,
This is all that I ask of you.



THANK YOU!
FOR MAKING
**EVERY
MOMENT
MATTER**


**NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK
APRIL 14 - 20, 2024**




SCHEDULE FOR GRACE MAY 2024

Fri, May 3	
Lisa & ADC Zola Dinner & Auction, FC	6:00 PM
Grace Youth, GG, gym	7:00 PM
Sat, May 4	
Grace Winds and Strings, Choir Room	10:30 AM
Sun, May 5 ~ Communion & Food Bank ~	
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
Mon, May 6	
Roger & Marilyn Crisp, GG, Par	6:30 PM
Tues, May 7	
Craft Group, Par	1:30 PM
Wed, May 8	
Graceland, FC, gym	12:00 PM
College & Career, GG, Par	7:30 PM
Thurs, May 9	
Grace Senior Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
Fri, May 10	
Grace Youth, GG, gym	7:00 PM
Sat, May 11	
Grace Winds and Strings, Sa	10:30 AM
Fredericton Choral Society Concert, Sa	7:00 PM
Sun, May 12 ~ Happy Mother's Day ~	
Worship service, Sa 	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
Mon, May 13	
Brunswick & Thomas Hall, Shannex service	2:00 PM
Wed, May 15	
Graceland, FC, Par	12:00 PM
Fredericton Kiwanis Youth Choir Concert, Sa	7:00 PM
Thurs, May 16	
Grace Senior Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
Fri, May 17	
Grace Youth, GG, gym	7:00 PM
Sat, May 18	
Grace Winds and Strings, Choir Room	10:30 AM
Sun, May 19 ~ Pentecost ~ 	
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
Mon, May 20 ~ Office closed ~	
Roger & Marilyn Crisp, GG, Par	6:30 PM

Sun, May 5	
Ushers:	1 Eric Smith 2 Ed Stairs 3 Gerry Taylor
WC Greeter:	Janet Howland
Media:	Kate Thompson
Prayer Team:	Adebola Afolabi-Sanni
Sun, May 12	
Ushers:	1 Blair Burke 2 Patsy Burke 3 Mel Sproull
WC Greeter:	Daniel Corrier
Media:	Emilio Ancheta
Prayer Team:	Connie Storr
Sun, May 19	
Ushers:	1 Afolabi Sanni 2 Frances Hanson 3 Shade Oyedepo
WC Greeter:	Doreen McClare
Media:	Andrew Crisp
Prayer Team:	Lisa Lohnes
Sun, May 26	
Ushers:	1 Ray Schriver 2 Roger Crisp 3 John Curtis
WC Greeter:	Sarah Gunaseelan
Media:	Robin Mohle
Prayer Team:	Betty Ann Taylor

 **Pickleball** 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.

 **Pray for Pastor Jim**, as he is away May 14-21 for vacation. For any pastoral concerns, please contact Pastor Peter Lohnes.

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Tues, May 21	
Craft Group, Par	1:30 PM
Wed, May 22	
Graceland, FC, gym	12:00 PM
College & Career, GG, Par	7:30 PM
Thurs, May 23	
Ferne Sewell WMS, Par	1:15 PM
Grace Senior Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
Fri, May 24	
Grace Youth, GG, gym	7:00 PM
Sat, May 25	
Grace Winds and Strings, Choir Room	10:30 AM
Sun, May 26	
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
Mon, May 27	
Connection Team, BR	1:30 PM
Wed, May 29	
Graceland, FC, gym	12:00 PM
Thurs, May 30	
Grace Senior Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
Fri, May 31	
Grace Youth, GG, gym	7:00 PM
<p>Rooms Legend: Sanctuary; Sa, Parlour; Par, gym, Welcome Centre; WC, Family Centre; FC, Choir Room</p> <p>Grace Groups; GG</p>	



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 Weekly on Wednesdays, from 12-2 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. Children can be registered on the website, gracememorial.ca the online form.



Grace Youth Weekly on Fridays from 7:00 - 9:00 PM, this high-energy community of middle and high school students meets from September 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 Maiah; 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 Sheila Dunham (Financial Secretary) 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. 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.

Additionally, there is **Other – Time-Limited Emphasis:** These funds support special projects for a period of time. Currently, there are two main projects: Refugee Support and Organ Restoration Project.

**CURRENT ACCOUNT
(to March 2024)**

CURRENT ACCOUNT	Total 13 Sundays
Regular Offering	63,455.44
Loose Offering	174.00
Initial Offering (Envelopes)	110.00
Christmas	70.00
Easter	6,305.00
Rentals	10,215.00
* Total Current	80,329.44
Less: Expenditures	88,222.00
Ending Deficit	-7,892.56

MISSIONS ACCOUNT

Target for Year (Regular)	42,500.00
Target for Thanksgiving	2,500.00
Target for Christmas	2,500.00
Target Total	47,500.00
Actual Offerings (regular)	7,722.47
Less Expenses	0.00
Shortfall from Target	-39,777.53

BUILDING (CAPITAL) ACCT

Regular Offerings	1,597.92
Less Expenses	0.00
** Total Building	1,597.92

PLEASE NOTE

* Current Acct Surplus 2023 (Estate Gift)	\$61,534.00
** Building Acct Surplus 2023	\$30,063.00