

GRACE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH NOVEMBER 2025



Messages this month

JOIN US IN NOVEMBER as we continue to learn more about the impact God's Grace has on our lives. We'll also mark Remembrance Sunday on November 9th and the month concludes with the first Sunday of Advent as we begin the countdown to the celebration of Jesus Birth. This year we'll explore the Nativity Story through the eyes of some of the eyes of some of those who were there to witness the gift of Jesus so long ago.

We look forward to a variety of music during the month from Esther Bae, Kathy Margeson,
Grace Winds & Strings, Marilyn's Melody Choir and Julie Probert,
the Grace Worship Team, and Erma Hawkes with the Grace Church Choir

MESSAGES	s
Nov 2	Grace Gives Meaning (Pastor Peter)
Nov 9	Grace Overcomes Fear (Pastor Peter)
Nov 16	God's Sufficient Grace (Pastor Jim)
Nov 23	Giving the Gift of Grace (Pastor Peter)
Nov 30	The Nativity Story – Gabriel (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).

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.

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GRACE WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE NOV 2-9

At Home: Heather Fletcher-Switzer, Teddy & Claire Randall, Rose Marie Patterson, Helen Currie, Marg Pollock Shirley Pierpoint, Sheila Martin, Dorothy Barrieau, James Rankine, Lawrence Steeves, Erma Hawkes,

Lisa Lohnes, Gerry Crouse, Sylvia Dykeman, Guna Kulasegaram

Eden Retirement Villa: Hazel Ridley

Shannex: Gregory Nickerson, David Ridley, Mavis Hallett

Windsor Court: Sherrie Evans

Please pray for GRACE CHILDREN & Youth for the month of November:

We remember and are grateful for Jesus who made the ultimate sacrifice for our sin. Pray for peace and comfort for families who have experienced the loss of loved ones. That they may honor those they've lost by living lives that show the compassion and love of Jesus. Pray God will grant our children and youth the courage to stand strong in their faith and not be swayed by the things of this world. Give them wisdom and guidance for dealing with temptations. May they be surrounded by people who lift them up and provide them with the guidance and support they need.

Bless our leaders and volunteers with the Holy Spirit's guidance to recognize the qualities, experience, and passion needed for this role. Give them the empathy and compassion towards understanding the trials and tribulations of youth today. Help our leaders to remain steadfast and unwavering in their commitment to serving You through young people.

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

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.

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.

Dec 1 Flora Leaman

Dec 8 Eric Morehouse

Dec 9 Kathleen Brewer

Dec 10 Debbie O'Connell

Dec 14 Paul Melanson

Dec 15 David Neal

Dec 16 Heather Akin

Dec 17 Emilio Ancheta Kevin Beattie

Vonda Johnson

Dec 18 Robert Hanson

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Dec 24 Bethel Oyedepo

Dec 29 Lorraine Cook

Edwin Stairs

A - Edward & Randi Corey

Dec 30 A - Samuel & Marisel Benigno

A - Peter & Lisa Lohnes

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



UPDATE ON THE PRIORITIES PROCESS The Four Priorities identified by the Vision Team were presented to a Congregation Meeting on October 19th and after considerable discussion all four priorities were accepted by the meeting. These priorities

were calling an Emerging Generation Pastor, Worship Renewal, Deepening Congregational Connections, and Leader & Volunteer Development. Included within the motions, the meeting also agreed to designate the Tong estate bequest to help provide funding for the Emerging Generation Pastoral position.

The next step is the creation of a Pastoral Search Team to seek God's person for the "Emerging Generation" position. Our By-Laws require the Pastoral Search Committee to be nominated by the Leadership Board and be comprised of three members of the Leadership Board, one member of the Property & Finance Team and three members of a congregation at large and that the members of the team be elected at a congregational meeting. The Leadership Board is currently seeking to form such a committee and plan to be able to bring nominations for the committee to a congregational meeting later this month.

BUILDING A COMMUNITY OF GRACE; A CHRIST CENTERED MOSAIC

Many Peoples—One Community

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD It's that time of year again! Soon we will have the Christmas Shoeboxes located in the Welcome Centre. Join us in providing international relief through Samaritan's Purse. Our mission is to provide local church partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene products, and school supplies, as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Grab a box and fill it up with gifts for kids and bring it back to Church! Shoe Boxes and information are on the table in the Welcome Centre. Deadline is Nov. 16th. Questions, please contact Sarah Beattie at sarah.p.beattie@gmail.com.

BLANKETS & TARPS NEEDED. As the weather is getting colder, the Under the Tent ministry is in need of blankets and tarps. We are collecting wool or wool bend blankets that are not too heavy and tarps until **November 16th**. Please use the white box in the Welcome Centre (used for our Greener Village donations). These will be passed out at the end of November as an outreach to the community. Another option for donations would be a cash donation (please give to Pastor Jim or Pastor Peter). Either donation(s) is greatly appreciated. Thanks so much for your help and generosity!

Join us Saturday, November 29th from 9 AM to 12 PM, to deck out our beautiful church building for Christmas. We'll play some Christmas music, decorate the trees, hang the wreaths, transforming the sanctuary and a few other spaces for Advent and Christmas celebrations. Afterward, we'll enjoy some eggnog, and other treats. Everyone of every age is welcome; the more the merrier!

CHRISTMAS BLESSING CARDS These cards will bless our folks who are not able to attend regular services due to being shut in. Please drop your addressed cards (no stamps needed) for shut-ins in the card basket in the Welcome Centre or to the church office by **Dec 7th**. They will be delivered with a visit from pastors and volunteers. The list of names is printed in the Weekly Prayer Guide section of Grace Notes and in the monthly bulletin. Thank you for blessing those who are unable to attend regularly.

* Once you start to receive Christmas cards in the mail, we are also collecting used stamps. Please be sure to have a 1/2" boarder around the stamp. All year long there is a collection basket located in the Welcome Centre.



PASTOR APPRECIATION



Last month, October was Pastor Appreciation Month. On behalf of the Leadership Board and the Grace Memorial Baptist Church congregation, we thank Pastor Peter, Pastor Jim, and Pastor Scott for their leadership, dedication to the ministry, energy, compassion and love to the church. We thank God for calling our pastors to their respective ministries and also pray that they will be encouraged by the support of the congregation who volunteer to serve alongside them.

Thank you for nurturing the spiritual well-being of our Church family. We thank each of you for your guidance, support and encouragement. The tireless hours you each devote to serving God at Grace and in our community is greatly appreciated. Additionally, we thank their families for their support, encouragement, and sacrifices.





Join us on a Sunday, November 2, to set aside time to recognize and thank our pastors; Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes, Rev. Jim Bae, and Rev. Dr. Scott Dunham. During the year, let us be ever mindful of our pastors in our prayers, praying that they will be encouraged in their trials, recharged when they are feeling overwhelmed, and to lead with courage and strength. May God Bless them and their families as they serve among us.

Emilio Ancheta, Chair, Leadership Board



Cont. LOVING GRACE MEMORIES NOVEMBER 2025















Happy 60th Anniversary
Grace Memorial Baptist Church





SCHEDULE FOR GRACE November 2025

Sun, Nov 2 ~ Communion & Food Bank ~ Time Change ~				
Marilyn's Melody Choir, FC	9:30 AM			
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM			
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM			
Mon, Nov 3				
LEVL, Par, GG	1:00 PM			
Monday Night Group, Par, GG	6:30 PM			
Tues, Nov 4				
Pickleball, gym	6:45 PM			
Peter Lohnes, GG, Par	7:00 PM			
Wed, Nov 5				
GriefShare	7:00 PM			
Worship Team, Sa	7:00 PM			
Thurs, Nov 6				
Grace Senior Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM			
Fri, Nov 7				
Grace Youth, gym, FC	7:00 PM			
Sun, Nov 9 ~ Rembrace Day Service ~				
Marilyn's Melody Choir, FC	9:30 AM			
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM			
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM			
Mon, Nov 10				
Thomas & Brunswick Hall, Shannex service	10 AM & 11 AM			
LEVL, Par, GG	1:00 PM			
Property & Finance Team, BR	6:00 PM			
Tues, Nov 11 ~ Remembrances Day ~ Office clo	osed			
Craft Group, Par	1:30 PM			
Pickleball, gym	6:45 PM			
Peter Lohnes, GG, Par	7:00 PM			

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Rooms: Sanctuary; Sa, Parlour; Par, Welcome Centre; WC, Family Centre; FC

Grace Groups; GG (see chart)

PICKLEBALL Join us weekly in the gym for Beginners on Sundays at 2:30-4 PM or for Intermediates on Tuesdays 6:45-9 PM. For Beginners, it will training, teaching basic skills and how to play and understand the game. Questions please contact Pastor Jim Bae; **Jimbae3@gmail.com**.

Sun, Nov 2

Ushers: 1 Ray Schriver 2 Bob Walton 3 John Curtis

WC Greeter: Doreen McClare Media: Arturo Castellon Prayer Team: Esther Bae

Sun, Nov 9

Ushers: 1 Eric Smith 2 Ed Stairs 3 Gerry Taylor

WC Greeter: Janet Howland Media: Emilio Ancheta

Prayer Team: Adebola Afolabi Sanni

Sun, Nov 16

Ushers: 1 Mel Sproull 2 Patsy Burke 3 Blair Burke

WC Greeter:

Media: Reymer Salvador

Prayer Team: Betty Ann Taylor

Sun, Nov 23

Ushers: 1 Afolabi Sanni 2 Daniel Corrier

3 Shade Oyedepo
WC Greeter: Carol Jarvis
Media: Emilio Ancheta

Prayer Team: Scott Dunham

Sun, Nov 30

Ushers: 1 Ray Schriver

2 Bob Walton3 John Curtis

WC Greeter: Paul & Sonya Melanson

Media: Kate Thompson **Prayer Team:** Lisa Lohnes

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. For questions please contact Danielle at **schriver.danielle@gmail.com** or

contact the office.

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Thurs, Nov 13	
Grace Senior Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
Fri, Nov 14	
Grace Youth, gym, FC	7:00 PM
Sun, Nov 16	
Marilyn's Melody Choir, FC	9:30 AM
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
Mon, Nov 17	
LEVL, Par, GG	1:00 PM
Monday Night Group, Par, GG	6:30 PM
Tues, Nov 18	
Pickleball, gym	6:45 PM
Peter Lohnes, GG, Par	7:00 PM
Wed, Nov 19	
GriefShare	7:00 PM
Thurs, Nov 20	
Grace Senior Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
Fri, Nov 21	
Grace Youth, gym, FC	7:00 PM
Sun, Nov 23	
Marilyn's Melody Choir, FC	9:30 AM
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 PM
Mon, Nov 24	
Connection Team, BR	4:30 PM
Tues, Nov 25	
Craft Group, Par	1:30 PM
Pickleball, gym	6:45 PM
Peter Lohnes, GG, Par	7:00 PM
Thurs, Nov 27	
Ferne Sewell WMS, Par	1:15 PM
Grace Senior Choir, Choir Room	7:00 PM
Fri, Nov 28	
Grace Youth, gym, FC	7:00 PM
Sat, Nov 29	
Church Decorating Party, WC, Sa, FC	10:00 AM
Sun, Nov 30 ~ Advent Hope ~	
Marilyn's Melody Choir, FC	9:30 AM
Worship service, Sa	10:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:30-4 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 ageappropriate program.

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.

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 is one main project: Organ Restoration Project.

Financial Summary as of September 2025

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CURRENT ACCT 39 S	NT ACCT 39 Sundays		
Regular Offering	\$185,095		
Loose Offering	382		
Initial Offering (Envelopes)	65		
Easter	6,395		
Thanksgiving	125		
Christmas	290		
Summer Camp Registrations	7,525		
Rentals	21,325		
Miscellaneous	5,340		
Total Current	226,541		
Less: Expenditures	250,431		
* Current Deficit Jan-Sept	-23,891		
Surplus at Beginning of the Period	32,874		
Surplus at End of the Period	8,983		
MISSIONS ACCOUNT			
Target for Year (Regular)	31,875		
Target for Year (Thanksgiving)	0		

MISSIONS ACCOUNT	
Target for Year (Regular)	31,875
Target for Year (Thanksgiving)	0
Target for Year (Christmas)	0
Target Total	31,875
Actual Offerings (Regular)	28,802
Actual Offerings (Thanksgiving)	0
Actual Offerings (Christmas)	0
Actual Total	28,802
Shortfall from Target	-3,073

BUILDING ACCOUNT

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Regular Offerings	7,402
Less Expenses	36,945
Ending Deficit for Period	-29,543
Surplus at Beginning of Period	32,689
Surplus at End of Period	3,146

