# **GRACE NOTES**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! When was the last time you experienced a deep, soul-refreshing rest? Amid the hustle and bustle of modern life, it's easy to lose sight of the sacred rhythm God established from the beginning of creation. Our days are often filled with deadlines, commitments, and endless to-do lists. Yet, in the midst of the noise, God's gentle whisper calls us to pause, to rest, and to remember. The Sabbath is more than just a day off or an ancient tradition-it is a divine invitation, a sacred rhythm established by God for our wellbeing. It serves as a safeguard against burnout, offering us the gift of rest, renewal, and transformation. This Sunday pastor Jim will share a message on the beauty and significance of the Sabbath from Exodus 20:8-11.

Julie Probert-organ,

the Worship Team and the Grace Church Choir

**NEED PRAYER?** Each Sunday a member of the **Prayer Ministry** is available after worship in the Prayer Room at the front right of the Sanctuary. It is confidential.

Every day the **Prayer Line** is available for your prayer requests. Send them by email to Kathleen at kbrewer168@gmail.com or contact her by phone at 506-449-0848.

**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 vellow **Connection Card**. Please fill it out and drop it in the one of the offering boxes as you exiting the Sanctuary. We look forward to hearing from you!

#### **GRACE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH**

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Thank you for keeping Grace Memorial a SCENT FREE environment.



The **Tuesday Night Grace Group** is starting a new five-session series this week, looking at the problem of unanswered prayer through the lens of the Holy Week events. These five sessions go deep, provoking an honest conversation around the hardest and most personal questions we all ask about prayer. Each session will include a video teaching segment with Pete Greig and then a time of discussion and reflection. The group meets at 7 PM on Tuesdays in the Parlour and new participants are always welcome!



#### JOIN THE GOOD FRIDAY COMBINED CHOIR

We are joining with Brunswick Street Baptist Church (BSBC) and Faith Baptist for our Good Friday Service this year at 10:30 AM on Friday, April 18th, at BSBC. There

will be a combined choir and all singers from our church are encouraged to take part in this special music opportunity!

#### Music is available to learn for you in three ways:

- 1. On your own.
- 2. Join a rehearsal at Grace on Thursday evenings at 7 PM.
- 3. Attend the combined rehearsals being held at BSBC on Sundays March 16,23,31 and April 6 from 4-5 PM.

The final rehearsal will be Monday, April 14 at 7 PM at BSBC. Join us in sharing our faith and love of Christ through song! For more info, contact Erma Hawkes, ehawkes1015@rogers.com or 506-457-1015.



INDOOR YARD SALE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 12TH FROM

**8 AM TO NOON.** Downsizing your home and making space this Spring? Do you have items you no longer need that might be a treasure for someone else? The **Dominican SENT Team** is having a yard sale fundraiser on Saturday, April 12th and welcomes your donations of saleable items! Household goods, tools, small furniture, clothing, plant cuttings, is all welcome! You can drop them off at the church or make arrangements with one of the Team members to pick up the donation. Thank you!



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE UPCOMING CHURCH FAMILY RETREAT!

Noon Saturday, May 17 to Noon Monday, May 19. Be watching for brochures, and registration forms starting **March 30th**.



Wondering About Baptism? Rich in

meaning, symbolism, and a command of Christ, baptism is the way a follower of Jesus publicly declares they belong to Christ and that thev are committed to following Jesus for the rest of their life. A baptism is being offered for Easter Sunday. If you would like to know more, please connect with either Pastor Peter or Pastor Jim to see if this is the right time for you.

### WAYS TO GIVE AT GRACE

✓ In Person: There are ⊕ Offering Boxes just inside each Sanctuary door. Drop your offering info one of these boxes at worship or drop it into the church office during office hours. (9 AM to 4 PM Mon-Fri)

## FINANCIAL UPDATE TO FEBRUARY 28, 2025

Current Account	
Regular Offering	\$39,715
Loose Offering	81
Initial Offering	45
Miscellaneous	400
Rental Income	4,690
Total Revenue	45,221
Less: Expenses	52,737
Current Deficit	-8,516
Missions Account	
Target for Jan-Feb	7,083
Actual Offerings	5,757
Shortfall from Target	- 1,327
Building Account	
Offerings	1,040
Less: Expenses	0
Current Acct Surplus 2024	32,874
Building Acct Surplus 2024	32,689

Pre-Authorized Debit: You can set up an automatic withdrawal from your bank account. There are options for times of the month for withdrawal. Please contact Sheila Dunham sheiladunham770@gmail.com or 506-454-6259 or the office.

**By E-Transfer:** Send e-transfers to treasurerat536@gmail.com. Please indicate clearly in the message section how much you are giving to particular funds. (Ex. Current, Missions, Benevolent, etc.)

**Ex 20:8-11** "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. 11 For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. (NIV)



THE WELCOME CENTRE CAFÉ is open Sundays after worship. It is an opportunity to have refreshments and fellowship with your church family following worship. We are looking for volunteers to help serve on a weekly rotation. Please contact the office.