



Grace Memorial Baptist Church Dec 7th



GRACE NOTES

WELCOME TO WORSHIP Who did God trust with the most important birth announcement in human history? In our world today, we expect big news to come with big announcements, spotlights, stages, important people, and important places. When something matters, we put it on the front page, send it to influencers, and make sure the “right people” hear it first.

But God doesn’t work the way we do. He often moves in the quiet places. He shows up in the corners we overlook and He works through the people we overlook. And that’s why God chose the shepherds. Enjoy a Christmas message titled “Lessons From the Shepherds” from Pastor Jim.

Grace Church Choir & The Grace Worship Team

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 orange **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!

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.

GRACE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

536 Northumberland St, Fredericton, NB E3B 3K8

Telephone: 506-458-8527 **Email:** office@gracememorial.ca

Web: gracememorial.ca

FB: [@gracememorialbaptist](https://www.facebook.com/gracememorialbaptist) **YouTube:** [Grace Memorial Baptist Church](https://www.youtube.com/GraceMemorialBaptistChurch)

Senior Pastor
Community Engagement Pastor
Pastor of Seniors Visitation

Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes
Rev. Jim Bae
Rev. Scott Dunham

Thank you for keeping Grace Memorial a SCENT FREE environment.



Christmas Festive Feast & Fellowship ~ Join us for a wonderful evening of food and fellowship on **Saturday, Dec 20th at 5 PM.**

We serve a complete festive dinner with stuffed pork loin (gluten free), with potatoes, vegetables, rolls, and special desserts. There will be punch, water, tea and coffee too. After dinner we'll sing some carols, tell some stories and have some fun together. It will be a wonderful evening for all ages.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and are just **\$10 per person or \$20 per family household**. Tickets are available on Sundays, starting on November 30th at the Kiosk in the Welcome Centre, and on week days from the church office. The **deadline** to get your tickets is **Wed, Dec 17th**. And don't forget to bring your tickets with you to the dinner, because there will be door prizes.

Willing to help with set up? See the sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE ~ Join us **Wednesday, Dec 24th at 6 PM**

A Nativity Story with a traditional candle lighting service. This family friendly service on Christmas Eve will feature carols and readings and we light the Christ Candle of our Advent Wreath. We will complete the Nativity Story as we celebrate the Christ Child and conclude our worship in candlelight with Silent Night. (There will be battery operated candles for the little ones.) Bring the whole family (and a few friends) for this meaningful celebration and tradition to begin the holiday celebrations.



CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER AT GRACE ~ Join us on **Thursday, Dec 25th at 12 PM Noon.**

We know most people have plans for Christmas, but if you are looking for an option for dinner on Christmas Day, Grace is hosting a free traditional turkey dinner at noon. Along with turkey, the meal will include stuffing, potatoes, vegetables, cranberry sauce and a variety of desserts. Anyone and everyone is welcome. Feel free to invite a friend or someone you know who would appreciate the opportunity to dine with others on Christmas day. We just need to know you are coming.

Reservations can be made by calling Lisa in the church office (506-458-8527), contacting Pastor Peter, or emailing office@gracememorial.ca. Please make your **reservations by Sunday, Dec 21st.**



Fredericton Homeless Shelters ~ For the month of December we will have a **Buy-A-Night** postcard sized cards that can be purchased for \$10 per card (cash please) which contributes to providing a night of shelter for a homeless person. These cards will be available in the Welcome Centre after the worship service on Sundays. Thank you for supporting our community.

SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR 2026 The Leadership Board has started the nomination process for the 2026 year and welcome your input as they seek the people God is calling to leadership roles within the congregation. Nominees will be voted on at the Annual Congregational Meeting in February 2026. As you prayerfully consider these needs, you can submit suggestions and nominations in a written note or email to a member of the Leadership Board (Emilio Ancheta, Phil Clark, Ragnar Oborn, Adebola Afolabi Sanni, Betty Ann Taylor or Pastor Peter Lohnes) or through the church office.

At present we are seeking nominations for:

Leadership Board: This Board meets monthly and is responsible for mission, vision and policy development and oversight of the Senior Pastor.

Fellowship Ministry Coordinator: This person coordinates ministries which foster opportunities for fellowship and welcoming people. The oversee ushers, Greeters, and food related ministries.

Worship Ministry Coordinator: This person coordinates the various ministries that facilitate congregational worship including music ministries, media and sound teams, communion and worship planning.

Discipleship Ministry Coordinator: This person oversees the various ministries related to growing disciples of all ages and gives oversight to such ministries as Sunday morning Grace Kids, Grace Youth, Grace Groups and other young adult, family and adult programs.

Audit Committee: This group meets once per year with the Treasurer to review all the church's financial records, including any groups for which official receipts are issued, and ensure proper accounting procedures are being followed.

Thank you for keeping Grace Memorial a SCENT FREE environment.

