



GRACE NOTES

**BEATI
TUDES**
THE COUNTER CULTURAL
BLESSINGS OF JESUS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are so glad you chose to meet God with us today as we continue our series on the **Beatitudes: The Counter-Cultural Blessings of Jesus.** Today, we look at Matthew 5:5 and the bold call to meekness: "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." In a world that tells us to grab power, push back, and demand control, Jesus offers a radically different way to live. This morning we will look at one of the most remarkable moments in the life of David, the steady wisdom of Psalm 37, and the freedom found when we trade the burden of self-reliance for power yielded to God.

Prelude and Hymns: Yunjia Dai - Piano and Julie Probert - Organ,

Postlude: *You are my All in All* -
flute and piano arrangement by Joel Raney,

The 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.

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Thank you for keeping Grace Memorial a SCENT FREE environment.

HELP OUR CAMPERS GET CRAFTY!

1. Wild Wonder Camp (Aug 10–14) needs your empty tin cans!

We'll gladly take any size, but 28 oz (796 ml) fruit cans are the ideal craft size.



How to help: Please wash the cans, strip off the labels, and toss them in the donation box in the Welcome Centre. Thanks for helping us bless our day-campers!

2. SNACK ATTACK - Our Grace kiddos are working up an appetite on Sunday mornings! We are looking for donations of any nut-free snacks. Cookies, juice, crackers, cheese, fruit snacks, etc. are all welcome. Give them to our Summer students; John Benigno and Liam Donaldson, leave them in the Welcome Centre on the table, or drop them off during the week to the office.



3. HELP OUR SUMMER CAMPERS CREATE - Our Summer camps are in full swing! We are collecting supplies to help our campers bring their imagination to life. If you have any of the following items laying around, please consider donating them: Toilet paper rolls, construction paper, crayons, pencil crayons & markers, yarn, ribbons, and beads. A large box will be in the Welcome Centre and the office during the week. **Thank you!**



FALL FOLIAGE BUS TOUR, THURS, OCTOBER 8TH

The Connection Team is looking to poll for interest in a "Fall Foliage" bus tour to Carleton County (Woodstock) area. Faith Baptist has been invited to join us as we need at least 45 people to guarantee the coach.

Date: Thurs, October 8th/26. **Route:** Travel to Woodstock on the west side of the St John river and return via the east side to see the fall foliage. A hot dinner will be served at the Legion in Woodstock along with live music entertainment. There will be an opportunity to explore/walk downtown Woodstock, and there will be stops of interest along the way. **Cost:** \$145.00 per person, taxes and gratuity included. If you would like to attend, please see the sign-up sheet in the Welcome Centre (available soon!). A commitment will be required by Tues, September 1st, followed by full payment by Tues, September 8th.

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.



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 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.)

Thank you

Financial Summary as of June 2026

CURRENT ACCT		26 Sundays
Regular Offering		130,470.11
Loose Offering		430.00
Initial Offering (Envelopes)		100.00
Easter		4,960.00
Thanksgiving		0
Christmas		230.00
Summer Camp Registrations		6,415.00
Interest		546.39
Rentals		19,062.00
Miscellaneous		0.00
Total Current		162,213.50
Less: Expenditures		174,895.80
Ending Deficit for Period		-12,682.30
Surplus: Beginning of Period		15,839.00
Surplus: End of Period		3,156.70
MISSIONS ACCOUNT		
Target for Year (Regular)		21,250.02
Target for Year (Thanksgiving)		0
Target for Year (Christmas)		0
Target Total		21,250.02
Actual Offerings (Regular)		18,288.39
Actual Offerings (Thanksgiving)		0
Actual Offerings (Christmas)		0
Actual Total		18,288.39
Shortfall from Target		-2,961.63
BUILDING ACCOUNT		
Regular Offerings		14,087.28
Less Expenses		1,783.21
Surplus: End of Period		12,304.07
Surplus: Beginning of Period		3,330.00
Surplus: End of Period		15,634.07

The Ultimate Power of Giving Up Control

Matthew 5:5, 1 Samuel 24, Psalm 37

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth."

(Matthew 5:5)



It takes _____ to swing the _____;
it takes _____ to yield the _____;
it takes _____ to trust the _____.

*"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."*

(Matthew 11:28-30)

Biblical Meekness is _____ that results in:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

The Wisdom of Psalm 37:

The meek _____ God in a _____ world.

Growing Our Meekness _____:

1. Look for the _____ of _____ in Others.
2. Put Your _____ in the _____.
3. Practice the _____ (P_____, P_____, P_____ the Sword)

Meekness doesn't _____ – Meekness _____.

Am I ready to _____ to God?



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.