

SEPTEMBER 2023

Session Meeting Highlights August 14

INTERIM PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Minister Discernment Profile Questions were approved and will be submitted to the Presbytery Website in order to advertise our need for an interim pastor

JULY 24TH SPECIAL MEETING OF PRESBYTERY

Held by Zoom

Authorized and approved the sale of the Highland Regional Ministry Center (HRMC) property (formerly Highland Presbyterian Church)

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND MISSION

Served 40 people at St Francis House on 7/22 Fellowship Hall/Kitchen cleaning day on 8/24 Next meeting 9/5

WORSHIP

Guest pastors have been secured through 10/1

Communion will be served on 9/3 - Rev. Don Mossa guest pastor

No dehumidifier needed for the piano in the sanctuary - piano tuner said it is "stable"

Dunne Music Company of Tampa was hired to repair dry rot in the antiphonal speakers and to check or fine tune electronics of the sanctuary Allen organ. It was suggested we have regular maintenance preformed on the organ every couple of years

Members and friends are encourage to wear name tags

Joint worship services during the holidays with Westminster and Covenant will be discussed Next meeting 8/20

PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

July Artist's studio tour saw more than 150 visitors during the two days.

Both sides of the lighted sign were completed for under \$200, with many thanks to Sherry Crane for her Cricket skills - the sign company quoted \$1,800 a side

Gainesville Opportunity Center moved out of the fellowship hall the first week of August - they donated the full \$500 for August

Clean up around the church property including the office will be completed when there is a break in the heat

Art Studios of Grace plan to participate in the October Art Walk - Friday October 27th 6-9 - guest artists have been invited and there will be a food truck

The Worship Committee reminds church members and friends that the 2023 Flower Calendar is posted in the narthex. Fresh floral arrangements are \$35 and you may place your name on any selected date of your choosing. Please note that roses added to your arrangement are in addition to the \$35.00 and are \$5.00 each.

NEW BURE BURE BURE BURE



Prayer Requests



Please join us in lifting up prayers for those who have immediate concerns: Philip Barton: Carl Crane's brother, Michael; Donna Fidler; Janine Groner; Lonnie Stevens; Fred Winter, Jay Winter Collins' father; and Don Woodward.

Also pray for those with longer term needs: Margie Baker; Lois Butler's sister, Holly Durst; Jerry Butler; Pauline Kirk; Bob McAlpine: Gale Nevill; Laura Raizada; Libby Richardson; Sarah Robinson; Wayne Wagner; C. D. Weaver; Mary Williamson; our military; first responders; the people of the Ukraine and our church.

If there are other people or concerns that you would like to add or delete from this list, please contact lvette by phone at 352-376-5654 or by email at office@gpconline.org

Elders on Call

Elders on Call for September are:

Jay Collins 352-870-2843 Debbie Harris 352-213-5645 Two elders volunteer to be available to church members and friends who may need assistance. When the church office is closed, these elders are on call to help.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/1 - Don Woodward

9/4 - WT (Bill) Chesnut

9/8 - Anette McGee

9/14 - John Peter Ford





9/16 - Axel Williamson

9/20 - Doug Hackett

9/28 - Franklin Morgan

Please call the church office at 352-376-5654, if your special day is **NOT** listed or is **NOT** correct.

Men's Noon Lunch & Fellowship



The men of the church are invited to meet each Wednesday from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm in the library for fellowship. Please bring your own brown bag lunch, beverages will be provided.

Please don't forget our Special Offerings

TWO CENTS A MEAL



We invite every member of the congregation to prayerfully contribute a few cents at each meal. This offering is held the first Sunday of each month, but feel free to contribute on any Sunday to help alleviate hunger and poverty.

GRACE - GIVING AND SHARING MISSION

This project is a food and household item collection. All items collected are donated to the Bready of the Mighty Food Bank. For the month of September we will be collecting canned fruit.







\$1 FUND OFFERING



Our \$1 Fund Offering for the months of July through September will go to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA).

For it is in Giving That We Receive

Ways to Support Grace Presbyterian Church:

- 1. Mail a check to the church office.
- 2. Use your bank's online bill pay system.
- 3. Use the electronic funds transfer from your savings or checking account.
- 4. Use a debit/credit card at the link on our website under the giving tab (there is also an image that you can click).



The finance committee would like to keep the congregation informed about our General Fund income and expenses and our pass through donations. If you have any questions, contact Lois Butler at 352-262-5893 or treasurer@gpconline.org.

	July	Through 7/31
Income Expenses	\$5,531.03 \$6,398.17	\$81,588.55 \$85,567.73
Pass Through Donations Two Cents a Meal	\$ 28.00	\$ 312.07

Liturgy Passages for September

9/3 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Semicontinuous:

Exodus 3:1-15

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b

Complementary:

Jerimiah 15:15-21

Psalm 26:1-8

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

9/10 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Semicontinuous:

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalm 149

Complementary:

Ezekial 33:7-11

Psalm 119:33-40

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 18:15-20

9/17 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Semicontinuous:

Exodus 14:19-31

Psalm 114 or

Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21

Complementary:

Genesis 50:15-21

Psalm 103: (1-7) 8-13

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

9/24 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Semicontinuous:

Exodus 16:2-15

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

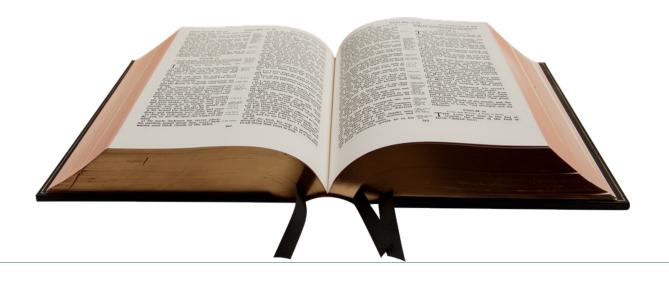
Complementary:

Jonah 3:10-4:11

Psalm 145:1-8

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16



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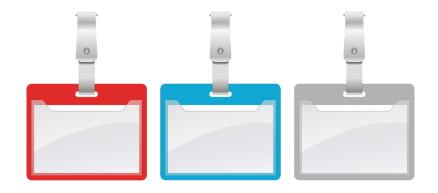
24 11:00 – Worship Service Guest Pastor – Rev Rebecca Putman 1:00 – Korean Service 7:00 – ESWT(AA) 25 4:00 pr	1711:00 – Worship Service - 18 Guest Pastor – Emily Beghin Worship Committee 1:00 – Korean Service 7:00 – ESWT(AA) 4:00 pi	10 11:00 – Worship Service - Guest Pastor – Terry Albright 1:00 – Korean Service 7:00 – ESWT(AA) 11 11 12 4:00 pr Group 6:00 pr	3 11:00 – Worship Service Guest Pastor – Rev Don Mossa Communion 1:00 – Korean Service 7:00 – ESWT(AA) 4:00 pt		Sunday
25 4:00 pm – Square Dance Group	18 4:00 pm – Square Dance Group	11 4:00 pm - Square Dance Group 6:00 pm - Session Meeting in Church Office	4 4:00 pm – Square Dance Group		Monday
26 7:00 pm – Barbergators	19 7:00 pm – Barbergators	12:00 – Anna Circle 7:00 pm - Barbergators	5 11:00 am – Congregational Life & Mission Meeting 7:00 pm – Barbergators		Tuesday
27 12:00 noon – Men's Lunch 7:00 – ESWT(AA)	20 12:00 noon – Men's Lunch 7:00 – ESWT(AA)	13 12:00 noon – Men's Lunch 7:00 – ESWT(AA)	6 12:00 noon – Men's Lunch 7:00 pm – ESWT(AA)		Wednesday
28 6:30 pm – Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus	Grace Notes Articles Due 6:30 pm - Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus	14 6:30 pm – Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus	7 6:30 pm – Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus		Thursday
29	22	15	8	1	Friday
30	23	16	9	2	Saturday



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As we prepare for our interim pastor and our new pastor let's wear our nametags. We've probably all called someone by the wrong name, only to realize it later (or perhaps even within the same conversation). Knowing another person's name breaks down one barrier to conversations that church folks ought to feel comfortable having. It's simply easier to talk with others when you are on a first-name basis. We should call people by name as we minister to them — and nametags allow us to do so. We're simply asking people to wear a nametag to promote fellowship and welcome guests.

Create a Lasting Legacy by Including Grace Presbyterian Church in Your Estate Plans



Would you like to leave a lasting legacy and continue to make an impact in the life of Grace and the organizations that Grace supports after you are gone? Consider making a gift to Grace in your will, estate plan or by beneficiary designation. These gifts allow you to continue to use your assets during your life. By leaving a gift after you are gone, you will be able to sustain our mission and live on in the hearts of the people of Grace and the people we serve.