

Building bridges between Christ and our community

May 5, 2024
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Welcome to Grace! Please fill out a Connect Card—either a digital version or a hard copy & *place it in the offering basket or leave in the narthex.* (This is our attendance.) For more information on Grace, visit our website: www.gumcmi.com. Thank you for joining us today.

2024 May Mission Emphasis: **OASIS Prison Ministry & Bishop's Annual Offering**

The Oasis offers Spirit-filled worship and study opportunities to the precious women of Lowell Correctional Institute – a place that can feel to some like a desert wasteland. The goal is to create an oasis – a place of refreshing – where the chains of shame, trauma, and hopelessness can be broken by the transforming presence of Jesus.

The Bishop's Annual Offering is a designated offering by our Bishop. We submit this to the Bishop at the Annual Conference in June.

Please mark your donation **"May Mission."**

Cuba Talk: today, 10 am, Room #214. Join Mike, Jon & Janet as they share about their recent trip to our sister church in Cuba.



Sunday School: 10 am
Nursery/preschool to Kindergarten: Rm 121
Grades 1-3: Rm 221 Grades 4-6: Rm 224
Children's Church 11am: Grades K-6: Rm 221 & Chapel
Nursery: 9 am—noon, 0-4 years old: Rm 121

Worship Services: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Sunday School: 10:00 am

Gathering Grounds E&A Lobby: 8:30-11:15am [May 12: Last day 'til Aug]

Worship Service
May 5, 2024
9:00 am

Video Announcement

Prelude

Welcome/Greeting **Pastor Steve**

Mission Moment **Sister Church/Cuba** **Mike Ferger**

***Song** **“Lord, You Have Come To The Lakeshore”**

***Song** **“Hymn Of Heaven”**

Apostles Creed, #881 **Gail Dittbrenner**

Pastoral Prayer **Pastor Steve**

The Lord’s Prayer, #895

Special Music **“Roca de la Eternidad”** **Chamber Choir**

~ **Passing of Offering Baskets** ~

Scripture: Psalm 98 **Gail Dittbrenner**

Scripture: John 15:9-17 **Pastor Beth**

Message: **“A Breath of Fresh Air!”** **Pastor Beth**

Communion **(Gluten free wafers available)**

***Song** **“Build My Life”**

Benediction

Postlude

***Please stand as you are able.**

We’re getting a **new pastor** in Jul
 ~ Rev Michelle Shrader.
 Pastor Steve is leaving on Jun 2.
 Pastor Gary is leaving on Jun 30.
 Pastor Beth is staying.

Letter Carrier Food Drive,
May 11. Our food pantry will
 receive a portion of the collect-
 ed food. **Volunteers** needed
 from 11-6 at MI Post Office.
 Let us know if you can help.

We’re Celebrating our
graduates on May 19.
 Let us know by Tues, May 7, of
 high school or college gradu-
 ates & their plans. This includes
 Dec 2023 graduates. We’d also
 love a digital photo of them.

MILA Elementary Staff
 Appreciation - May 7. Are you
 willing to help with donating
 bagels, cream cheeses, and/or
 homemade sweet treats? Please
 let Jennie know,
 Buglady4102@yahoo.com

Attendance:	9:00 am	122	11:00 am	62
Online		49		25
Youth	10:00 am	3	Nursery:	3
Children	10 am:	4	11:00 am:	21



Flowers are to the glory and honor of God and in celebration of Gary & Tracey Beatovich's 35th wedding anniversary.

To sign up for flowers, let the church office know or add to your Connect Card. The cost is \$28. You can take your flowers home on Sunday or Monday.

The next open Sundays are Jul 28, Aug 18 & 25. See the 2024 list in the E&A Lobby.

Summer Kickoff Party, TODAY at noon. Join us for games & walking tacos.

Special Offering for increase in insurance. Return pledge cards today. Thank you for your help!

Greeters Needed, from May 19 into Aug to welcome at the E&A desk (8:50—12:10). Coffee won't be available during this time. See Jonell

Pastor Steve's Farewell Event: Jun 2 at 10 am.

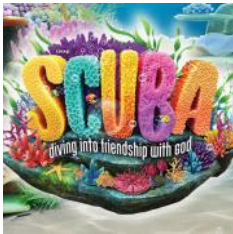
We're collecting *pictures* & memories of Pastor Steve and/or his family from the past 9 years for a farewell video. Send digital pictures & short stores to Jen Zebel at thezebels@gmail.com or drop off hard copies in the church office by **May 19.**

Place *notes & cards* for Pastor Steve & Colleen in the box in the narthex **May 12– Jun 2.**



SALT: Mon, May 6, 2 pm Join us for a talk on "Fraud, Scams & ID Theft" by the Sheriff's Office. Future week's topics deal with community services, Emancipatory Gerontology, and "recipes for happiness."

Questions? Ask Don Lusk, donlusk57@gmail.com, 321-634-2523



Vacation Bible School: Jun 10-14. See Niki for more info. Participants & volunteers can register at vbspro.events/p/gumc24

Family Promise, May 12-19:

****Volunteers needed to support the week.****

We need help with Evening hosting & Overnight hosting (chaperoning). Laundry & a few meal slots are open. Please contact Debbie Zipperly for more info or to sign up to help. 321-446-5798, Debbie.gumc@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events

May 10, 6:30 pm: Ladies Game Night at Pastor Beth's

May 12-19: Family Promise

May 20, 6:30 pm: FLUMC Annual Conference Orientation, Sanctuary

June 2, 10 am: Pastor Steve Farewell

Lost and Found. Check out our Lost & Found table between services today. Any remaining items will be dispositioned soon.

CALENDAR

Church office & library: Mon - Thurs 9-3, closed 12-12:30

Preschool: Mon – Fri, 9 - noon

Sunday, May 5

9:00 & 11:00 am Worship Service

Nursery: 9 am - noon, Birth – 4 yo, #121

10:00 am Special Gathering #112, 200, 209, 212, Chapel & Workroom

10:00 am Sunday School: Nursery/preschool to K, #121; Grades 1-3: # 221; Grades 4-6: #224; Youth: #219; Young Adults: #206; New Horizons: #214; Aldersgate: #214; **Cuba: #214**

11:00 am Special Gathering: FH

11:00 am Children's Church: K-6: #224

12:00 pm Summer Kickoff, FH & yard (walking tacos, games)

Monday, May 6

2:00 pm SALT Group, #112

7:00 pm Vespers, Facebook Live

Tuesday, May 7

10:00 am Women of Faith Bible Study, #212

12:00 pm Quilting/Crafts, #207

12:15 Staff Meeting, #206

4:00 pm GS Troop 1220, #304

6:30 pm Boy Scouts FH

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting, #206

Wednesday, May 8

6:00 pm Youth, #219 & FH

6:30 pm Girl Scout Leader Meeting, #304

6:30 pm Praise Team, Sanctuary

7:00 pm Choir Practice, Music Room

Thursday, May 9

9:00 am – 12:00 pm Food Pantry, FH

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Clothing Closet

6:30 pm Praise Team, Sanctuary 7:30 pm Jubilate Ringers, Bell Room; & OA Meeting, #112

Friday, May 10

6:00 am Men's Prayer/Bible Study Merritt Assembly of God. For info call 321-452-6019.

11:15 am- noon Muffins with Moms, Grass

Saturday, May 11

10:00 am Caregivers' Support Group, Music Rm

10:00 am to noon Edgewood Band Banquet, FH 2:00 pm Via de Cristo Women, FH

We are looking for someone to
update our first-aid kits.

THE UPPER ROOM
DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Connect Card QR Code



May/Jun available in the
Narthex and E&A lobby.
(Suggested donation: \$1.50)

The bulletin is available at: gumcmi.com under
"Worship Online"
Items for the bulletin are due by Tuesdays at 11 am