

Building bridges between Christ and our community

July 28, 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](http://www.gumcmi.com). Thank you for joining us today.

### 2024 July Mission Emphasis: **Rise Against Hunger**

Ending hunger starts with a meal. Every day Rise Against Hunger meals are served worldwide in serious hunger pocket communities—often the hardest places to reach. Rise Against Hunger's meal packaging program coordinates an assembly-line packaging of highly nutritious dehydrated meals. Grace will again host another meal packaging event next year. Your gift goes toward funding the meals for the event, and beyond that, to resilience, self-sufficiency, education, empowerment and bright futures in communities worldwide.

Please Mark your donation "**July Mission**"

August Mission Emphasis: Matthew's Hope

We're glad you are here today.  
We are on the 3rd Sunday of a 6-week sermon series entitled "**Let the Journey Begin!**"



**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**

**No coffee today (Yes on Aug 4)**

**Worship Service  
July 28, 2024  
9:00 am**

Notes

**Video Announcement**

**Prelude**

**Welcome/Greeting** **Lilly Hibbard**

**\*Song** **“I Am Yours” (Wesley Covenant)**

**\*Hymn, #467** **“Trust And Obey”**

**Statement Of Faith, #883** **Gail Williams**

**Pastoral Prayer** **Lilly Hibbard**  
**The Lord’s Prayer, #895**

**Song** **Lilly, Nick & Tom** **“Who You Are To Me”**  
**~ Passing of Offering Baskets ~**

**Scripture: Exodus 4:1-15** **Gail Williams**

**Message:** **“Who am I?”** **Pastor Michelle**

**Communion** **Pastor Michelle**  
**~ Gluten free wafers available ~**

**Blessing over Lilly**

**\*Song** **“Who You Say I Am”**

**Benediction** **Pastor Michelle**

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



Flowers are to the glory and honor of God in honor of John Parker from Barbara Parker.

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 Aug 25, Sep 29. See the 2024 list in the E&A Lobby.**

#### Ways to Give.

- Online or via text through Realm (get invite from Finance Office)
- Check in offering basket or mail
- Bill pay.

#### Farewell to Lilly, our pastoral candidate.

Many blessings and prayers go with her as she heads off to seminary school in Atlanta. See her Amazon Wish List at: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1I616Q07UZ6S?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1I616Q07UZ6S?ref_=wl_share)

**Rummage Sale**, Sep 21. Start Saving your items. We'll need volunteers to set up on Fri, Sep 20; & to run it on Sep 21. See Debby Kroll, 724-544-0453.

**MILA Backpack Filling Event.** Assembly line process *moved to Mon, Aug 5, 9:30 am, FH.* See Jennie Williams, [buglady4102@yahoo.com](mailto:buglady4102@yahoo.com)

**Job Opening, Maintenance:** We are looking for a part-time maintenance worker ~ someone with basic maintenance skills in electrical, plumbing, and general maintenance. The job description is available in the office if you would like more information. If you are interested in applying, come to the church office and fill out an application. Thank you.

**Choir Concert**, Aug 18, 4:30 pm. Come hear our amazing choir. There will be a love offering for the music department.

**Country Store.** Aug 10, 9—11 am. Items needed: School supplies, paper towels, cleaning supplies. See the complete list on the narthex bulletin board.  
**Set up:** Fri, Aug 9 at 6 pm.  
See Tim Cordes for more info.

#### Youth Summer Mission Week

Thank you for your prayers! The youth had an amazing week.

#### Upcoming Events

**Jul 31:** Choir Practice Resuming  
**Aug 5, 9:30:** MILA Backpack Event  
**Aug 10:** Country Store  
**Aug 17, 9-4:** Choir Workshop  
**Aug 18, 4:30 pm:** Choir Concert  
**Aug 25-Sep 1:** Hosting Family Promise  
**Aug 27, 7 pm:** Church Council  
**Sep 21:** Rummage Sale

# CALENDAR

Church office & library: Mon - Thurs, 9-3

## **Sunday, July 28**

9:00 & 11:00 am Worship Service

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

10:00 am Special Gathering #112, 200, 207, 209, Chapel & Workroom

10:00 am Sunday School: Nursery/preschool to K, #121; Grades 1-3: # 221; Grades 4-6: #224; Young Adults: #206; New Horizons: #214; Aldersgate: #212

11:00 am Special Gathering: FH

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

## **Monday, July 29**

9:30 am Preschool Teacher Meeting, #214

## **Tuesday, July 30**

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

12:00 pm Quilting/Crafts, #207

7:00 pm Vespers with Lilly, Facebook Live

## **Wednesday, July 31**

Early am Food Pantry set up, FH

7:00 pm Choir Practice, Music Room

## **Thursday, August 1**

9:00 am – 12:00 pm Food Pantry, FH

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Clothing Closet

6:30 pm Praise Team, Sanctuary

7:00 pm Jubilate Ringers Practice, Bell Room

7:30 pm OA Meeting, #112

## **Friday, August 2**

6:00 am Men's Prayer/Bible Study–Merritt Assembly of God. For info call Larry 321-591-8409

## **Saturday, August 3**

No activities planned

<b>Attendance:</b>	<b><u>9:00 am</u></b>	<b>116</b>	<b><u>11:00 am</u></b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Online</b>		<b>107</b>		<b>42</b>
<b>Youth Week;</b>			<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Children</b>	<b><u>10 am:</u></b>	<b>10</b>	<b><u>11:00 am:</u></b>	<b>14</b>

Connect Card QR Code



**THE UPPER ROOM**  
DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

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

The bulletin is available at: [gumcmi.com](http://gumcmi.com) under  
"Worship Online"  
Items for the bulletin are due by Tuesdays at 11 am