## Building bridges between Christ and our community

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Senior Pastor: Rev. Michelle Shrader

Executive Pastor: Rev. Beth Burton

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 November Mission Emphasis: Special Gathering

The Special Gathering is a ministry within the mentally challenged (developmentally delayed) community. Their mission is to evangelize and disciple people who are mentally challenged. They minister to almost 500 mentally-challenged persons and their families in many areas of Florida. Additionally, they do advocacy and teach self-advocacy for their members. This ministry was started by Rev. Richard Stimson and his wife, Nancy, in 1982, and we are privileged to share Grace's facilities with Special Gathering every Sunday.

Please mark your donations November Missions

## **December 2024: Split East Angola Mission & Water Project**

Thank you for returning your shoebox gifts today! Samaritan's Purse will send them to children around the world to spread the love of Jesus. If you forgot your packed box today, you have one last chance—return it to the Grace E&A Building Reception Desk no later than 10 AM tomorrow, Monday, Nov. 25th.



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

Worship Services: 9:00 am and 11:00 am Sunday School: 10:00 am

Gathering Grounds: E&A Lobby, 8:30—11:15 am

## Worship Service November 24, 2024 9:00 am

Prelude Thanksgiving Medley Mike & Shelly Deliz

Welcome/Greeting Pastor Beth

\*Opening Hymn, #400

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

\*Song, "10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)"

Apostles' Creed, #881 Gretchen McGaffic

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Michelle

The Lord's Prayer, #895

Special Music: "Total Praise"

~ Passing of Offering Baskets ~

**Doxology** 

Scripture: Ephesians 3:20-21 Pastor Michelle

Message: Pastor Michelle

"More Than We Can Imagine"

Communion

~ Gluten free wafers available ~

\*Closing Song, "Gratitude"

Benediction Pastor Beth

Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.

Notes



Flowers are to the glory and honor of God and in celebration of Mikael and Genie Hardee's Anniversary from the Hardee children.

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 Sunday is Dec 29. See the 2025 list in the E&A Lobby.

#### **Christmas Staff Love Offering:**

Staff Parish is sponsoring a "Christmas Love Offering" for the Pastors and Staff. To contribute to this please mark your donation "Christmas Staff Love Offering".

Family Promise December 1-7. We will be hosting wonderful families as they work toward obtaining housing. We could really use your help. We especially need help with Evening hosting & Overnight hosting (chaperoning). One meal slot (Thurs, 12/5) is also open. Clean up, takedown & laundry help (sheets, towels) needed as well.

Please Contact Debbie Zipperly for more info. 321-446-5798, <u>Debbie.gumc@gmail.com</u>

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Ladies' Christmas tea 2-4pm, december 14, 2024 RSVP by Dec. 12 • abe 12• • Childcare available with RSVP

Would anyone like to provide lunch for a staff meeting? We meet monthly with about 15 people. Contact Terri for more info: secretary.gumc@gmail.com.

Join us for our "Christmas Dreams" Cantata on December 15th at 10:00 am & 6:00 pm

ONES OF OTHER LOSSES WE MIGHT BE EXPERIENCING.

CHRISTMAS FOR SOME IS FILLED WITH SADNESS BECAUSE OF

LOSSES EXPERIENCED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICES GIVE US THE TOOLS TO WORK
THROUGH OUR SADNESS DURING A SEASON THAT TELL US WE

ARE SUPPOSED TO BE HAPPY.

ON DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> AT 7PM, WE WILL HAVE A

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

WE WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SOMETHING THAT

WE CAN USE FOR PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE OF OUR LOVED

# Ways to Give

- Online through Realm
- Text "Mercy" to 73256
- Offering basket or mail
- Bill pay

December 15th at 10:00 am & 6:00 pm.

### **Upcoming Events**

Nov 28: Office Closed For Thanksgiving Nov 29: 6-8 pm Ladies Game Night

Dec 1: 7 pm Blue Christmas

Dec 15: 10:00 am and 6:00 pm Cantata

## **CALENDAR**

Church office & library: Mon - Wed 9-3 Preschool: Mon – Fri, 9 - noon

Sunday, November 24

9:00 & 11:00 am Worship Service; **Nursery** 9 am – noon, Birth – 4 yo, #121

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

10:00 am Ladies Advent Study, #207

10:00 am Sunday School: Nursery/preschool to K, #121; Grades 1-3: # 221; Grades 4-6: #224;

Youth: #219; Young Adults: #213; New Horizons: #214; Aldersgate: #212

11:00 am Special Gathering: FH 11:00 am Children's Church: K-6: #221;

Monday, November 25

2:00 pm Salt, #112

Tuesday, November 26

10:00 am Women of Faith Bible Study, #212 12:00 pm Quilting/Crafts, #207

6:30 pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, November 27

6:00 pm Youth, #219 & FH 7:00 pm Choir Practice, Music Room

Thursday, November 28

Office Closed-Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, November 29

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

6:00 pm Ladies Game Night, FH

Saturday, November 30

Attendance: Online:	9:00 am	152	<u>11:00 am</u>	79
	9:00 am	49	<u>11:00 am</u>	28
Children	Youth:	5	Nursery	2
	10 am	7	<u>11:00 am</u> :	10



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



**Connect Card QR Code** 

The bulletin is available at: gumcmi.com under "Worship Online"

Items for the bulletin are due by Tuesdays at 11 am secretary.gumc@gmail.com