

Building bridges between Christ and our community

February 23, 2025
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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.

2025 FEBRUARY MISSION EMPHASIS: Grace Mission Support Fund

Our Mission Emphasis for February is the **Grace Mission Support Fund**, which we use to address various mission needs throughout the year. Some of this funding supports Grace's Food Pantry, Family Promise, and our Mission Trip. We regularly send a team of 8 to 12 people from Grace on the Red Bird mission trip to depressed, poverty-stricken areas of Appalachia. There we help with extensive home repair needs, such as roofs and flooring. Your generous donations help offset the cost of our team's travel expenses..

Please indicate "February Missions" on your offering



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—11:15 am

**Worship Service
February 23, 2025
9:00 am**

Notes

Prelude

Welcome **Pastor Beth**

***Opening Hymn, #170** **“O How I Love Jesus”**

***Song,** **“How Deep The Father’s Love For Us”**

Apostles’ Creed, #881 **Gretchen McGaffic**

Pastoral Prayer **Pastor Beth**

Special Music: **“This Little Light of Mine”**

~ Passing of Offering Baskets ~

Doxology

Scripture: **Luke 6:27-38** **Gretchen McGaffic**

Message: **“The Vulnerability of Love”**
Pastor Michelle

Communion **Pastor Beth**

~ Gluten free wafers available ~

The Lords Prayer

***Closing Song,** **“One Things Remains”**

Benediction **Pastor Michelle**

Postlude

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



Flowers are to the glory and honor of God and in memory of Doris and Dick Schindewolf from their loving daughter, Robin Speck.

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 March 2. See the 2025 list in the Narthex & the E&A Building.

Thanks for supporting GUMC's gift card program! Ms. Patti will now be selling gift cards in the E&A building during coffee time on Sundays. Cash and check ONLY on Sunday sales.

You are invited to the **Seasoned Adults Learning Together (SALT)** Monday's at 2:00 PM in the Conference Room. Planned sessions include topics such as "Resilience: The Survival Mindset," "Stephen Ministry's Caring Assertiveness," & "Longevity Planning."

"Brown Bag" Grief and Loss Recovery Group: We're hosting a brown bag lunch meeting for people who have experienced grief and loss, beginning Monday, February 24th, from 12-1:30 PM in the church conference room. We'll provide drinks and handouts. It'll be an informal, interactive session led by the Group Facilitator, Don Lusk. The group uses a biblically based learning platform to help you understand how you can find your "new normal." If you have any questions about the group, please text or call 321-634-2523 or email at donlusk57@gmail.com.

We are having our **Annual Car Show on March 8:** donations would be greatly appreciated. We need car rags, car wash, wet wipes, & other car items as well as snack items in snack sized bags. For a full list please check out our Gracevine.

Family Promise, March 9-15: Due to some personnel changes at Family Promise, they are postponing the shelter program temporarily and we will not be hosting in March. We may move to a date in April, so stay tuned. Thank you to everyone that signed up. We really appreciate it! Now is the time to learn more about us and help in the future. Call or email Debbie Zipperly for more information. Debbie.gumc@gmail.com, 321-446-5798.

Edgewood Future Educators Dr. Seuss Book Drive: please support MILA students by donating a Dr. Seuss book. Books are needed by Wednesday 2/26.

Ways to Give

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

Women of Faith
are studying
James Mercy Triumphs
By Beth Moore

Upcoming Events
March 8: Car Show
March 11: Leadership Council

CALENDAR

Church office & library: Mon - Thurs 9-3

Preschool: Mon– Fri, 9 - noon

Sunday, February 23

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 FH

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, February 24

12:00 pm Grief, #112

2:00 pm Salt, #112

6:00 pm Car Show Mtg., #112

Tuesday, February 25

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

12:00 pm Quilting/Crafts, #207

6:30 pm Boy Scouts FH

Wednesday, February 26 Men’s Via de Cristo

9:30 – 10:30 Preschool Chapel Time

6:00 pm Youth, #219 & FH

7:00 pm Choir Practice, Music Room

Men’s Via de Cristo Set-up

Thursday, February 27 Men’s Via de Cristo

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 OA Meeting, Chapel

7:30 pm Jubilate Ringers, Bell Room

Friday, February 28 Men’s Via de Cristo

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

Saturday, March 1 Men’s Via de Cristo

Attendance:	<u>9:00 am:</u>	116	<u>11:00 am:</u>	61
Online:	<u>9:00 am:</u>	65	<u>11:00 am:</u>	23
	Triumphant:	153		
	Youth:	5	Nursery:	1
Children	<u>10 am:</u>	16	<u>11:00 am:</u>	12



Mar/Apr 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
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