

Building bridges between Christ and our community

August 31, 2025  
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Rev. Michelle Shrader

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: [gumcmi.com](https://gumcmi.com). Thank you for joining us today.

2025 September Mission Emphasis: **Crosswinds and One Body Global Ministry**

**Crosswinds Youth Services** serves Brevard County by responding to the needs of runaway and homeless youth in our community. Crosswinds operates Project Safe Place, offering immediate help to children and teens who have run away, are homeless, on the streets, in an unsafe situation, or just alone or afraid.

**One Body Global Ministries** is a Christian ministry founded by Rochelle and TJ Scott of Cocoa Beach. They are focused on community development, education, vocation and health-oriented programs through the lens of Christ's love and deep relationships as One Body in Christ. Your Mission contributions go towards providing medical care to a very poor community in Nicaragua. Learn more at [www.obgm.org](http://www.obgm.org)

Please Mark your donation "**September Mission**"



**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**  
**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**  
**August 31, 2025**  
**9:00 am**

Notes

**Prelude** **Andrew Smith**

**Welcome** **Pastor Michelle**

**\*Call to Worship** **Pastor Michelle**

**\*Hymn Sing,**

**#139 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”**

**#92 “For the Beauty of the Earth”**

**#441 “What Does the Lord Require”**

**#66 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”**

**\*Apostles’ Creed, #881** **Gary Beatovich**

**A Time of Prayer** **Pastor Michelle**

**Special Music** **“Order My Steps in Your Word”**  
**~ Passing of Offering Baskets ~**

**\*Doxology**

**\*Gospel:** **Luke 14:1, 7-14** **Gary Beatovich**

**Message** **“The Art of choosing the right seat”**  
**Pastor Michelle**

**Communion** **“The Peace May Be Exchanged”**  
**Andrew Smith**  
**~ Gluten free wafers available ~**

**The Lords Prayer, #895**

**\*Closing Hymn, #368** **“My Hope Is Built”**

**Benediction** **Pastor Michelle**

**Postlude** **Andrew Smith**

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



**Flowers are given to the glory and honor of God  
and in loving memory of Adam Blakeman.**

**To sign up for flowers, let the church office know  
or add to your Connect Card.**

***The next open Sunday is September 28.  
See the 2025 list in the Narthex & the E&A Building.***

Join us for a Spectacular Family Fun Day at Grace United Methodist Church on Sunday, September 7 immediately following our 11:00 am service!

Need gift cards for back to school? Whether you need school supplies or want to spoil a teacher, use gift cards! Our next order is coming up. Tuesday, Sept. 9

Save the Date! Grace is hosting a food packaging event for Rise Against Hunger on Saturday, September 13 from 9:00 - Noon in Fellowship Hall. We will be filling 10,000 bags with nutritional food servings for delivery to impoverished areas. Please come and support!

Chair Yoga starts on Monday September 22 at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall. Please contact our Parish Nurse, Linda Glynn at [parishnurse.gumc2@gmail.com](mailto:parishnurse.gumc2@gmail.com)

We are now accepting items for the rummage sale. Items can be dropped off at the Scout building (next to Fellowship Hall) on Sunday mornings from 8:30 - 9:00 am & on Thursday evenings from 6:30 - 7:00 pm. If there are any questions or concerns please contact Debby Kroll at 724-544-0453.

We are working on creating a Grace UMC Cookbook! If you have any recipes you'd like to contribute please contact Dagmar Swihart: [dvhswihart@gmail.com](mailto:dvhswihart@gmail.com) or call @ 805-550-8414

***You can give online!***

Scan the QR code below to be directed to our online giving page!

Thank you for your generosity!



**Upcoming Events:**

**Sept. 8:** 6:00 pm Red Bird Trip Meeting

**Sept. 9:** 6:30 pm Church Council

**Sept. 13:** Rise Against Hunger

**Sept. 17:** Healthy Aging Seminar

**Sept 22:** 10:00 am Chair Yoga

**Sept 27:** Rummage Sale

## CALENDAR

Church Office & Library: Open Tue.—Thurs. 9-3      Preschool: 9:00 am—12:00 pm

### **Sunday, Aug 31**

9:00 & 11:00 am Worship Service;

**Nursery** 9 am – noon, Birth – 4 yo, #121

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

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

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, Sept. 1**

Office Closed—Labor Day

### **Tuesday, Sept. 2**

10:00 AM Women In Faith Bible Study, #212

12:00 pm Quilting/Crafts, #207

### **Wednesday, Sept. 3**

6:00 pm Youth, #219 & FH

7:00 pm Choir, Chapel

### **Thursday, Sept. 4**

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, #112

7:30 pm Bells

### **Friday, Sept. 5**

6:00 am Men's Prayer/Bible Study—Merritt Assembly of God. For info call Larry Easley.

### **Saturday, Sept. 6**

<b>Attendance:</b>	<b><u>9:00 am:</u></b>	<b>88</b>	<b><u>11:00 am:</u></b>	<b>65</b>
<b>Online:</b>	<b><u>9:00 am:</u></b>	<b>27</b>	<b><u>11:00 am:</u></b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Choir Workshop:</b>		<b>134</b>	<b><u>Online:</u></b>	<b>80</b>
	<b>Youth:</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Children</b>	<b><u>10 am:</u></b>	<b>11</b>	<b><u>11:00 am:</u></b>	<b>15</b>

**THE UPPER ROOM**  
DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

**Sept/Oct** available in the  
Narthex and E&A lobby.  
(Suggested donation: \$1.50)

Connect Card QR Code



The bulletin is available at: [gumcmi.com](http://gumcmi.com) under  
"Worship Online"  
Items for the bulletin are due by Tuesday at 11 am  
[secretary.gumc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.gumc@gmail.com)