

Building bridges between Christ and our community

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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.

2026 MARCH 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 a 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 indicate “March 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
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

The Easter egg hunt on April 4 is just around the corner! We have lots of eggs but we need lots of individually wrapped candy and small prizes that fit in eggs such as stickers and other trinkets. Please no chocolate. Donation bins will be in front office and the narthex!

What a wonderful gift we have had with our beloved Hoyt family. We look forward to celebrating them tonight with Taco's, a Disney movie and barrels of fun. Join us tonight from 5:00—7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall!

As we continue to celebrate Our 65th anniversary, be sure to pick up the new Grace UMC merchandise in the coffee bar.

Wow! Many thanks to the 30 volunteers who worked on/spruced up our campus in February. So much wonderful work was done. Your church thanks you!

Would anyone like to provide lunch for a staff meeting? We will be meeting March 11, with about 12 people. Contact Terri for more info. We also need a front desk person for this day!

Did you know the church orders gift cards on the second Tuesday of each month? While we also now keep some in stock it's the perfect time to customize what you want--upcoming birthdays, Easter baskets, or just for your regular budgeting. For every gift card we sell, Grace receives cash back at no extra cost to you. April Patellis will be outside the Fellowship Hall, Sunday, March 8th between services. She will be selling cards and taking orders for our March 10th order. Please stop by with any questions!

In celebration of Easter, we are excited to offer beautiful yard signs here at Grace for our congregation to purchase and display at home. Each sign will feature the joyful message "He Is Risen" along with our church logo, creating a warm and welcoming witness to the season. These signs will be available soon so be on the lookout. They will be selling for only \$20.00 and we hope they will brighten your yard and share the hope of Easter with your neighborhood.



The flowers are presented as a gesture of heartfelt gratitude and admiration for Modesto Goldson and Mary Haskins.

See the 2026 flower list in the Narthex & the E&A Building.



You can give online!

Scan the QR code to be directed to our online giving page!
Thank you for your generosity!

Upcoming Events

March 29: Easter Cantata
April 4: Easter Egg Hunt

CALENDAR

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

Preschool: Mon-Fri 9-12

Sunday, March 8

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 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

5:00 pm Youth #219

5:00 pm Hoyt Farewell Celebration

Monday, March 9

10:00 am Chair Yoga, #206

Tuesday, March 10 Raise Right

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

12:00 pm Quilting/Crafts, #207

6:30 pm Boy Scouts, FH

Wednesday, March 11 Via de Cristo Set Up

7:30-8:30 pm Choir Practice, Music Room

Thursday, March 12 Via de Cristo

9:00 am Food Pantry

10:00 am Clothing Closet

7:30 pm Bells

Friday, March 13 Via de Cristo

6:00 am Men's Prayer/Bible Study–Merritt Assembly of God.

Saturday, March 14 Via de Cristo

10:00 am Caregivers, Music Room

Attendance:	<u>10:00 am: 93</u>	<u>11:00 am: 53</u>
	Youth: 19	Nursery: 2
Children	<u>10 am: 7</u>	

THE UPPER ROOM
DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

March/April 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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