

Grace Weekly Email Update

June 25, 2025

Message from Pastor Jeff



I look forward to being back with you all this Sunday. Susan and I had a great time away, and we arrived back home to our first grandson! We are super excited about this season of life.

This Sunday/Monday we are going to begin a new series of messages on the character of God. AW Tozer said, "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." I have learned a lot preparing for this and look forward to what we are going to learn together.

Our youth are at camp in St. Louis this week. Continue to lift them up in your prayers. Let's ask God to move in a powerful way to transform lives so that they stand as champions for Christ



in their generation. It probably wouldn't hurt to pray for patience, strength, and endurance for the leaders as well.

See you this weekend!

Jeff

WORSHIP SERVICES — June 29 & 30

Traditional (8:30am Sunday)

Hymns: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

Modern (9:30 & 11:00am Sunday)

Songs: Great Things; Goodness of God
Same God; Christ Be Magnified

Modern (6pm Monday)

Songs: Raise A Hallelujah; Goodness of God
Same God; Christ Be Magnified

Live Stream @ 9:30am Sunday: [Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#)

Holy Communion Celebrated at all services.

Past Sermons/Materials: Click [HERE](#).

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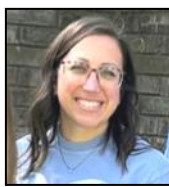
*Grace Community Church exists for the glory of God,
to make visible the kingdom of God, and
to declare the grace of God to all the world.*

KIDS MINISTRY (Infants—5th GRADERS)

Kids Page on Grace Website—Click [HERE](#).



[CHRISTINE TURPIN](#)
(Infants—PreK)



[SARAH REYKER](#)
(K-5th grade)

Grace Kids Needs VOLUNTEERS!!

Looking for a place to get plugged in? There's no better way than sharing the love of Jesus with kids! Exciting new curriculum coming in August! Once a month serve opportunities.

Email or text Sarah
(before she emails or texts you 😊).

sarah@gracefs.com or 479-414-2071

Come join the FUN!



Kids Church in June

This month's theme: God Is Victorious

This month we will encounter stories of the early church facing persecution, trials and uncertainty. In each letter, God's provision and hope shines bright. Yes, we face trials and have an enemy, but God is our living hope. He equips us with His armor, and He will return one day. God is ultimately victorious, regardless of our circumstances!

Monthly Memory Verse: The Lord has established His throne in the heavens, and His kingdom rules over all. (Psalm 103:19)

Kids Summer 2025 Camp at Siloam Spring

July 21, 8am—July 25, 5pm; (3rd-5th Grades)

Kids Camp sign ups have officially begun for Summer 2025. Kids who have completed 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade as of May 2025 are eligible. Please click the link for more information or to sign up, spots are limited! This is a great opportunity for children to be with other believers their age and enjoy fellowship and fun. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact [Christine](#). To register, click [HERE](#).



DASH & FM

(6-8th grades) & (9-12th grades)

Contact [Dana](#) For DASH and FM

Dash/FM Page on Grace Website—Click [HERE](#)



**No Regular Wednesday Night Youth Group.
Summer activities planned.**

Pray for Campers and Leaders this Week

DASH and FM kids (52) are at camp in St. Louis this week. Please keep our youth campers and adult leaders in your prayers. Check last page of newsletter for pics of sendoff and proof of hydration and keeping cool while in the heat.



Girls' Swim Party

RESCHEDULED

SUNDAY, JULY 6, 6-8PM

Join us for a relaxed evening at the pool with friends. There will be swimming, light snacks, and lots of girl chat! We hope you'll join in the fun! Contact [Dana Davis](#) for the address!

Revised



Slip n Slide Kickball

Sunday, July 13, 2-3pm

Join Grace Youth for a competitive game of Slip n Slide Kickball! This will be a fun way to cool off with your friends! The game will be played in the court yard, students should meet inside the Student Ministry building to be split up into teams. If you have any questions, contact [Dana Davis](#).



Youth Topgolf

(Topgolf—Rogers, AR)

Tuesday, July 22, 4:30-8pm

Join Grace youth for a fun round of golf at Topgolf! Youth will travel together to Rogers from the church. We have reserved 30 spots for golfing.

.....REGISTERING EARLY IS IMPORTANT.....

\$30 will cover your Topgolf ticket PLUS a set amount of catered food. If you plan to order lots and lots of food.....please bring extra cash. :)

We will leave the church at 5:00pm, then golf from 7-9pm. Home sometime after 10:30pm. If you have any questions reach out to [Dana Davis](#). Register [HERE](#).

CONNECT/EVENTS

Sunday Sermon Recap

Continues Sunday, June 29, Activity Center

Two Opportunities: 10:40-11:30am or 12:10-1pm

We are excited to announce Sunday Sermon Recap groups. Beginning Sunday, June 8 in the Activity Center, we will have two opportunities to discuss and review the Sunday sermon. Terry Gallamore, along with others will facilitate a group after the 9:30am service from 10:40-11:30am. JD Cunny will facilitate

a group after the 11am service from 12:10-1pm.

We hope this will help people dive deeper into the sermon and since Grace does not have traditional Sunday School classes, this will give people the chance to make connections with others folks at Grace. We will have these groups throughout the summer with the hope that it is well enough attended to have it as on-going groups.

Each week will be a stand alone study. We encourage everyone to attend and typically you would not need to register, however we are asking those who plan to attend to sign-up for the first class, so we can make sure the room is set up appropriately. Click [HERE](#) to register.



Experiencing God Study

College Group

Sundays, June 29, 4-5pm

Newell Residence

This interactive bible study focuses on the practical applications that college students can make to create intentionality in their relationship with God, friends, and the church body. We'll be diving into how to adequately understand the Lord's plan and will for our lives. We hope you'll be able to join us for this time of study, discussion, and reflection every Sunday at 4pm! Sign-Up [HERE](#)! There is no cost, contact [Reagan](#) with any questions!



Sacred Spaces—Young Adult Ministry

Hiking the Boston Mountain Trail

Saturday, July 19, 9:30am-2pm

The Young Adults will be hiking the Boston Mountain Trail on July 19. We'll be hosting lunch and a bible study along the way in the beautiful outdoors! We'll meet at the church at 9:30 AM and will arrive at the trail around 10:30 AM. We hope you'll be able to join us! We suggest you bring sunscreen, water, and bug spray! Fans will be provided. Sign-Up [HERE](#)!



Women's Bunco Night

Thursday, July 24, 6-8pm

Join us for a lively evening of Bunco! Whether you're a newbie or a pro, it's all about having fun and building connections with other women in the church. There will be snacks, laughter, and plenty of chances to meet new ladies. Don't miss out on this relaxed and joyful night—come as you are and bring a friend! We can't wait to see you there! Register [HERE](#).

CONNECT/EVENTS

Revised



**Amazing Race
Date Night for Married Couples
Saturday, July 26, 5-10pm
Activity Center**

On **July 26** Grace will be hosting a fun Amazing Race themed date night for married couples. This will be an exciting night filled with adventure, teamwork, and friendly competition! You and your spouse will navigate clues, conquer challenges, and test your skills together! Dinner and awards to follow. The cost is \$15 per couple. Childcare will be available, please make sure to sign-up [HERE](#) by **July 19** to secure your spot!



**Grace Family Night
@ Alma Waterpark
Friday, August 8, 7-9pm,**

We'll be having a night of fun, fellowship, and refreshing excitement at the Alma Water Park. Bring the whole family and connect with others in our church community. The park is located at 731 City Park Rd, Alma, AR 72921. This is a free event.



**Grace University, Tuesdays
6:30am-7:30am, Activity Center
Sept 9-Nov 18 of 2025
& Jan 13-May 12 of 2026**

Grace University seeks to equip disciples of Jesus Christ with a basic seminary level understanding of what the bible is and how to read and understand the Scriptures. The class is designed to teach you strategies with which to read and understand what the Scripture is saying and how that applies to us today. The class is composed of videos, podcasts, and books. This is not a bible study, but a class on how to read the bible and how to understand the impact of language, culture, and time on our understanding of God's word. Click [HERE](#) for full details and to sign up.



**For King and Kingdom
Men's Retreat**

Oct. 1-5, Burning Bush Lodge, Wrightsville, AR

This retreat experience is designed to inspire, unite, and free men to pursue their Kingdom destiny in a community of like-minded men. To read full details and to register, click [HERE](#). Filling out this form does not commit you to the retreat. It is for men who are interested in learning more about the retreat. JD Cunny will contact you with more details.



**Young Adults Passion 2026
January 1-3, 2026; Arlington, TX
To learn more and to register, click
[HERE](#).**

CONNECT—On Going Groups



Kingdom Men Tuesday Group (Men's Group) Tuesdays, 6-7pm, Activity Center

Many men cannot always commit to a 6 or 8 week study, but do desire to attend men's studies. With that in mind, beginning Tuesday, June 17th at 6pm in the Activity Center, we are hosting "Kingdom Men Tuesday Group". We will have devotional time, testimonies, fellowship and prayer during this time. We want to create opportunities for guys to connect with other men at Grace. JD Cunny will facilitate the first Tuesday, with different guys facilitating each week.



Upper Room Daily Devotional Discussion Group 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 1-2pm, Activity Center

Using the Upper Room Daily Devotional Guide, ladies discuss the daily reading and the Bible verses as a launching pad for in-depth discussions to include sharing personal experiences. Class is led by Ava Imotichey.



By Hook, Needle & Craft Women's Group 1st & 3rd Thursdays 1pm, Activity Center

Join a group of women who love crafts and visiting with each other. Crafts include knitting, crewel, needlepoint, cross-stitch and any other craft you wish to do. If you are gifted with these talents or want to learn, join these ladies in this wonderful ministry. On the few occasions when the first day of the month falls on a Thursday, meetings will be on 2nd & 4th Thursdays. Class is led by Mary Carter.



Men's Lunch Huddle Thursday, July 3, 12pm The Egg of Fort Smith 3801 Planters Rd.

This is a great way to connect with other men at Grace. Invite a friend or coworker. (First Thursday of each month)



Singles Ministry Thrive Monthly Lunch 1st Saturday Each Month, Noon Anthony's Italian Restaurant



Are you looking to find a community at Grace? Join the Thrive- Single's ministry for a monthly lunch full with conversation, connection, and yummy Italian food! Thrive will meet every 1st Saturday of the Month. The lunch will be hosted at Anthony's Italian Restaurant. No need to sign-up, just come when you can! If you have any questions please reach out to [Reagan Newell](#). July 5, Aug 2, Sept 6, Oct 4

Community Services Clearinghouse

True Grit Ride, Saturday, June 28

Benefiting Backpack Food Program

Grace has been a supporter of the True Grit Ride since it's inception. This event raises money for the Clearinghouse's back pack food program for kids here in the River Valley. It takes hundreds of volunteers to pull off such a large event. If you would like to find out how you can be a volunteer, check out [their website](#). If you have any questions, contact [Alecia Farley](#).



EDOH, Buffalo, NY Outreach, July 19-26

Are you looking for a mission trip, but don't want to travel outside the United States? Maybe Buffalo is just the opportunity you are looking for. We will be serving people in a district that has substantial needs. This is a great trip for families and people of all ages to serve together. Projects will include all skill levels. Lodging and meals are provided while serving with EDOH. If riding on the church bus seems to be too much for you, you can fly at your own expense and arrangements for transportation to and from the airport will be available. There are lots of variables to this mission opportunity. If you can't be gone for that many days but still want to serve, please contact [Kathleen](#) to discuss alternatives. Details are still being finalized, please sign up [HERE](#) if you are interested.



2025 Fill The Bus

Volunteer Opportunity

July 25 & 26

Our own Jeanne Carroll will be "manning" the Neighborhood Market on Rogers Avenue on both days. If you would like to help her, please sign up [HERE](#) or contact [Jeanne](#).

To read all about the Fill the Bus campaign click [HERE](#).

To the right is a list of items being collected, but Grace is **not** collecting items here at the church. You are asked to take your items to any WalMart store in the Fort Smith area on Friday, July 25 from 9am-7pm or Saturday, July 26 9am-1pm.



3 Ring Binders
Antibacterial Wipes
Art Supplies
Backpacks (Full Size)
Black Ink Pens
Colored Pencils
Crayons
Erasers
Folders - 3 prong w/pockets
Glue
Headphones
Kindergarten Mats
Markers
Notebooks
Notebook Paper
Pencil Boxes
Pencils
Play-Doh
Rulers
Scissors
Tissues

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

Contact [Rick](#) for more information.



Meet Our Team: Click [HERE](#).

Mental Health Resources: Click [HERE](#).

Mental Health page on the Grace website: Click [HERE](#).

PRAYER

If you have prayer needs, please submit request [HERE](#).

Community & World

Unsaved

United States

Countries in Turmoil

All Military

Foster and Adoptive Parents

Victims of Violence

Weather Disaster Victims

Eight Days of Hope Ministry

Those who are sick

Those struggling w/mental illness & addictions

Those struggling with grief

Grace Families

Mark Robinson

Rachael and Matt Vera

Mike Kirby

Lilly Williams

Rylie Edgerton

Allison

Ann

Grace Friends

Dian

Will

Kylee

A Father addicted to alcohol

Cancer Fighters—Grace Family

Tom Kaufenberg

Ken Harvey

Nora Lowe

Sympathies

David Daniels and family

(death of his mother Lola Daniels)

Gilbert and Kim Huerta and sons

(death of Gilbert's mother Maria H. Huerta, 95 yrs)

Hannah, Sam, Mac, family and friends

(death of their 4 mo. old baby)

Youth Camp Pics



Send off....



Proof
they
were
hydrating
and
keeping
cool....

