

The Church Mouse

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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Opportunity for Worship:
Sunday February 23rd
Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday

Chapter 19 in “The Story” Pgs. 263-274

THE RETURN HOME “Going Home”
Ezra 6:1-12 & Haggai 2:1-9

We are continuing in our Study of “The Story” we are doing chapter 19 this coming Sunday.

We look forward to sharing in worship with you!



Church Events

- Feb. 25th -American Red Cross Blood drive in the Fellowship Hall begins at noon
- Feb. 26th – Men’s Prayer Breakfast is at 7 AM, Taking Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 9 AM, AA meets at noon, The Story & Hurried family dinners beginning at 5:30 PM,
Ash Wednesday Service at 7 PM

Sunday Servants:

<i>1st SUNDAY</i>	<i>2nd SUNDAY</i>	<i>3rd SUNDAY</i>	<i>4th SUNDAY</i>
<i>Dick Foard Chris Doyel William Crockett Brent Heath</i>	<i>Patricia Cowan Louise Theberge John Kupiec Billy Healy</i>	<i>John Ogburn Todd Coons John O'Briant Peder Wennberg</i>	<i>Doug Price Jane Price Bob McCreary Carter Richardson</i>
<i>Liturgists:</i>			
<i>Barbara Fahrion</i>	<i>Lori Goings</i>	<i>Sandy Pait</i>	<i>Cyndy Moore</i>
<i>Acolytes:</i>			
<i>Ivar Golden</i>	<i>Antonio Meideros</i>	<i>Montgomery McDonald</i>	<i>Josh Julian</i>

Psalm 25: 9-10

He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

The Story:

Our hurried family dinners and videos with discussion is ongoing. This Wednesday night **Feb. 26th** (Not tonight) we are on chapter **20**, pages 275-290 in The Story, based on these scriptures: Esther 4:1-17

Here are the video links for the last week and this week:

Session 20----“The Queen of Beauty and Courage”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bn2T3GpixwY>

Here are some other links:

Session 19 ----“The Return Home”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c5UZd2Ujz1Q>



News:

Grace on Main is seeking a part-time Children’s Ministry Director to help children, infants through grade 5, and their families build the spiritual foundations that lead to lifetime personal relationships with Jesus Christ.

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to Jim Wesson, chairman of the Christian Growth committee, Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, jw12050@aol.com. For questions, email or call Cindy Lanning, DCE, cindy.dce@gracecovenant.us or 804-693-2071.

Please feel free to share with others you know who may be interested.

Notes:

Ginger Rowe is asking that if you are able to send her husband E.J. a birthday card that you do so. She wants to pin a bunch around his mirror in his room. His birthday is Wed. Send cards to: 6610 Frances Street, Gloucester, VA 23061

Thank you!

Dear Grace Covenant Members,

A personal note of thanks for your continued support of our local military through your very generous donations to the PHF Airport USO. Your deployment kits are full of much needed items and are very much appreciated not only by me (USO), but our military folks on the move to protect our freedom.

My Best,
Diane Fry
Center Director
Langley Air Force Base



Do you have a preschooler or elementary-age student that would like to join in a time of learning, crafts, and fun games? Are you a grandparent, aunt/uncle, caregiver, or friend of such a person?

**Join us Thursday, February 27th
from 5:30 to 7:30 in the Fellowship Hall**
for a great time of fellowship and some friendly competition! Dinner is included!!

Contact Cindy Lanning,
cindy.dce@gracecovenant.us, for more information!

Celebrate!

BIRTHDAYS

Darel Graham	02/01
Virginia Polderman	02/01
Montgomery McDonald	02/02
* Cara Moss	02/02
Sarah Finney	02/02
Dianne Reynolds	02/03
Merle Mayhue	02/05
Jackie Doyle	02/06
Rex Beckwith III	02/06
Rebecca Ogburn	02/07
Jane Koziol	02/08
Grant Smith	02/11
Andrij Horodysky	02/11
Cam Williams	02/12
Dorothy Timken	02/12
Jackie Schmitz	02/14
Zeke Finney	02/20
Kitty Davis	02/21
Jackie Rawls	02/25
Barbara Ann Atkinson	02/25
Douglas Nagel	02/26
E.J. Rowe	02/26
Jared Fregin	02/26
Pat Carlton	02/26
Melissa Moss	02/29
* is a child	

ANNIVERSARIES

Tom & Carolyn Taylor	02/14
Tex & Lori Jones	02/15
Lyn & Dorothy Claybrook	02/20
Bert & Pat Perkins	02/23
Skip & Pam Driggs	02/28



We thank you for your ongoing support to volunteer at the **GUEST shelters.**

We have some urgent volunteer needs to help the next two weeks.

These two churches stepped up to offer the use of their space when we did not have a space. We thank them for opening their doors. Let us join with them to provide the needed helping hands.

Bridgepoint Church - February 24 - March 2

Newington Baptist Church - March 2 - 9

We are also in need of volunteers for the following locations:

Day Shelter - February

Day Shelter - March

Providence Baptist Church - March 9 - 16

Bridgepoint Church - March 16 - 23

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church - March 23 - 30

New Volunteers can now apply online! [Click Here to Signup](#) to be a Volunteer:

[Volunteer Signup](#)

Did you know?...The GUEST Shelter does not allow visitors into the shelter. In order to provide the safest environment for all our guests and to comply with capacity limits, GUEST does not allow visitors in the shelter. The only approved visits are case managers, social workers or CSB staff for well-checks and medication checks. These persons should have proper identification from their workplace (Social Services, CSB, etc.). Volunteers should only assist in the shelter if they are signed up for a shift or have been asked to help by the church or volunteer coordinator.

Thank you for all you do to help the homeless and make our community a better place! If you have any questions about volunteering, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Blessings,

Rev. Kristie Askew, Executive Director, kristieaskew@guestshelter.net

Daily Lectionary:

Wednesday, February 26

Morning Pss. 5, 147:1–11
Evening Pss. 27, 51
Amos 5:6–15
Heb. 12:1–14
Luke 18:9–14

Thursday, February 27

Morning Pss. 27,
147:12–20
Evening Pss. 126, 102
Hab. 3:1–10 (11–15)
16–18
Phil. 3:12–12
John 17:1–8

Friday, February 28

Morning Pss. 22, 148
Evening Pss. 105, 130
Ezek. 18:1–4, 25–32
Phil. 4:1–9
John 17:9–19

Saturday, February 29

Morning Pss. 43, 149
Evening Pss. 31, 143
Ezek. 39:21–29
Phil. 4:10–20
John 17:20–26

Sunday, March 1

Morning Pss. 84, 150
Evening Pss. 42, 32
Dan. 9:3–10
Heb. 2:10–18
John 12:44–50

Monday, March 2

Morning Pss. 119:73–80, 145
Evening Pss. 121, 6
Gen. 37:1–11
1 Cor. 1:1–19
Mark 1:1–13

Tuesday, March 3

Morning Pss. 34, 146
Evening Pss. 25, 91
Gen. 37:12–24
1 Cor. 1:20–31
Mark 1:14–28

Wednesday, March 4

Morning Pss. 5, 147:1–11
Evening Pss. 27, 51
Gen. 37:25–36
1 Cor. 2:1–13
Mark 1:29–45

Thursday, March 5

Morning Pss. 27,
147:12–20
Evening Pss. 126, 102
Gen. 39:1–23
1 Cor. 2:14–3:15
Mark 2:1–12



Youth on Main

Jared and the Youth on Main group went to Tagtime and played laser tag last weekend. Looks like they had a wonderful time!

Youth on Main will *not* meet Sunday February 23. The **next** meeting will be **Sunday March 1** at 5:30 PM. More information to come.

Prayer Concerns:

Pray for Wesley and Betty Wilson, Dana Gilmour, David Guthrie, E J Rowe, Virginia Wilkinson, David Lipps, Eva Towell, and Pat & Bert Perkins.

If you have a prayer request, even if it is unspoken, you may call the church office and your prayer request will be placed here.

Gloucester House: Wayne Gates
Brookdale, Williamsburg:

Virginia Powers, & Barbara Tremblay
York Convalescent & Rehab: Virginia Wilkinson

Do you know about our prayer team? They will meet with you any Sunday right after worship in the prayer chapel. On the right as you exit the sanctuary.



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