

The Church Mouse

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DECEMBER 27, 2020 – VOLUME 4

Worship opportunity for Sunday,
December 27th
1st Sunday after Christmas
10:30 AM

Sermon:

“What Does Christmas Have to Do with Me?”

Galatians 4:4-7 & Luke 2:22-40

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
At 7 pm



Church Events

- Dec 28th – 30th- Painting of the Church Offices
- Dec 28th – Ladies AA group meets @ 7 pm
- Dec 30th – AA at noon
- No Youth on Main for these weeks: Dec 27 & Jan 3



Sunday Servants:

1 ST SUNDAY	2 ND SUNDAY	3 RD SUNDAY	4 TH SUNDAY
Dick Foard Chris Doyel William Crockett Brent Heath	Patricia Cowan Louise Theberge John Kupiec	Jim Wesson John Ogburn Todd Coons John O'Briant Peder Wennberg	Doug Price Jane Price Bob McCreary Carter Richardson
Liturgists for December:			
Roberta Wiatt	Wynne Beale	Lori Goings	Roberta Wiatt

John 1:14

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.



Note:

Do you like to Paint? We are looking for help. We have 4 offices that we are going to paint. Just the walls. If you have some time between Monday 28th- Wednesday 30th and want to help, please call either **Chris Doyel (804) 815-3838** or the church office (804) 832-0814. Thank you for your willingness to help!



A Note from Cindy Lanning:

Dear Grace family,

Many of you are aware of my recent resignation from the position of Director of Christian Education effective December 31st, 2020. While I am stepping down from the position, Steve and I are not stepping away from Grace. As health-related issues, personal and family, place increasing demands on my time and attention, I'm just not able to continue in the role of DCE.

My day-to-day will be so much different now without my daily dose of Doug's never-ending wit and his clever comebacks, the fun and quirky musings I share with Becky, and the absolute joy, love, and laughter that Holly spreads the minute she walks in the door! I'll surely miss Jim's constant reminders to not worry - because he's not worried! I will be sure to find ways to access these essential elements in the future!

I'm so thankful for the volunteers who have worked with me, laughed with me (and at me sometimes), and taught me so much about serving Christ with a sacrificial heart. I'm equally thankful to the families who have entrusted their children to us as we partner in the critically important commission to raise them up in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. I know that you know, I've come to love your children and your families!

Thanks to all of you for your patience, your trust, and your prayers over these past several years. So many exciting things are happening here, and God continues to move among us. I look forward to seeing our Christian education ministry grow and flourish, and I look forward to supporting this continued growth in all the ways I can.

May God continue to bless Grace on Main and the ministries to which we have all been called.

Your sister in Christ,
Cindy Lanning

Celebrate!

BIRTHDAYS

Anna Gatling *	12/03
John Peabody	12/03
Linda Horsley	12/05
Nick Denison	12/07
Sarah Harris	12/08
Brent Heath	12/09
Pamela Lumsden	12/09
Steelman Ketchum Jr.	12/11
Susan Johnson	12/12
Micheal Haley	12/14
Connie Coling	12/16
Paul Johnson	12/16
Jim Wesson	12/18
Lori Goings	12/21
Sandra Pait	12/25
Kent Taylor	12/25
Donnie Mullins	12/26
Deborah Ziegenfus	12/26
Gwen D'Amico	12/30
Scott Pillath	12/31
Jim Towell	12/31
Pam Kupiec	12/31

*Children

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Bonnie O'Briant	12/02
Jim & Nancy Wesson	12/06
Robert & Deborah Ziegenfus	12/13
Micheal & Nancy Haley	12/23
Kathy & Bill Newborg	12/26
John & Caroline Peabody	12/27
Dana & Penny Gilmour	12/27
Rex & Mimi Beckwith III	12/28
Harry & Jackie Doyle	12/30



Daily Lectionary:

Thursday, December 31

Morning: Pss. 98; 147:12–20, Evening: Pss. 45; 96
Isa. 26:1–6, 2 Cor. 5:16–6:2, John 8:12–19

Friday, January 1

Morning: Pss. 98; 148
Evening: Pss. 99; 8
Gen. 17:1–12a, 15–16
Col. 2:6–12
John 16:23b–30

Saturday, January 2

Morning: Pss. 48; 149
Evening: Pss. 9; 29
Gen. 12:1–7
Heb. 11:1–12
John 6:35–42, 48–51

Sunday, January 3

Morning: Pss. 111; 150
Evening: Pss. 107; 15
Deut. 33:1–5
1 John 2:12–17
John 6:41–47

Monday, January 4

Morning: Pss. 20; 145
Evening: Pss. 93; 97
Exod. 3:1–5
Heb. 11:23–31
John 14:6–14

Tuesday, January 5

Morning: Pss. 99; 146
Evening: Pss. 96; 110
Josh. 1:1–9
Heb. 11:32–12:2
John 15:1–16

Wednesday, January 6

Morning: Pss. 72; 147:1–11, Evening: Pss. 100; 67
Isa. 52:7–10
Rev. 21:22–27
Matt. 12:14–21

Thursday, January 7

Morning: Pss. 46 or 97.
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114
Isa. 52:3–6
Rev. 2:1–7
John 2:1–11



Christmas Star

A diamond shines no brighter than that lovely Christmas star.
It shines in all its brilliance; it's seen from near or far.
A symbol of the Christ child as He lay upon the hay.
It tells to all the waiting world a King was born that day.

O Bethlehem Star keep shining- give us faith and hope
and love.
Keep our thoughts forever turning to the Savior up above.
Give strength and hope and courage to do our best by far
And never falter in our faith as we watch that Christmas star.

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Prayer Concerns:

Pray for everyone who is staying home and may feel isolated.
Pray for our leaders and all who are affected by this virus.
Pray for the country, for healing and understanding in all that
we are facing.

Pray for Wesley and Betty Wilson, Dana Gilmour, David Guthrie, Virginia Wilkinson, David Lipps, Eva Towell, Bob McCreary, Kathy & Helen Healy, and family with the passing of Billy, and Bert & Pat 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.

Brookdale, Williamsburg:
Virginia Powers, & Barbara Tremblay
York Convalescent & Rehab: Virginia Wilkinson
Gloucester House: Oscar Northen



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