

# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

January 8, 2018



A message from the Pastor Ken,

*And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart... Mark 1:10*

In Mark's Gospel, baptism is an EPIPHANY! It is a major and dramatic happening, in which God reveals that Jesus is the Son of God... the one who would save the world... the one who would ultimately bring justice and righteousness to earth! This is an important truth for us to assert as we mark The Epiphany and begin the Sundays that will follow. We experience the EPIPHANY in Jesus Christ our Lord, because in Holy Baptism God's promise to declared upon our lives and God's Spirit lives in and through us. Part of being a child of God, is understanding that we also are stewards of God's grace and servants of God's purposes. May God's EPIPHANY be revealed in us!

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**2018 COUNCIL** - Council met on Sunday morning to elect officers for 2018. Ronald Cartner - President; John Grogan - Vice-President; Chris Cassidy - Secretary; Michelle del Castillo, Nick Grossoehme, Art Harris, Sara Johnson, Craig Ketner, Heather Litzinger, Clark Maciag, Karen Warmoth and Larry Winsch.

**BLESSED ASSURANCE SIGN UP** - Grace's Race and Reconciliation Task Force, an activity of the Outreach Committee, is co-sponsoring "Blessed Assurance" a one-person show Saturday, Feb. 3, in conjunction with Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church. Please let us know if you plan to attend by signing up here: <http://evite.me/VuYnhSrSZ>

**GYM DONATING TO PILGRIMS INN** - GYM Youth will be collecting donations for Pilgrims Inn **this Sunday, January 14**. Grace youth will be collecting and shopping for items to donate to Pilgrims Inn. We are organizing a Thrivent Work Team to help support the effort. A group will be delivering items in recognition of MLK Day on Jan. 15. Items can be purchased and dropped by the church office or monetary gifts may be given to Grace with designation "Pilgrims Inn." Non Food Items: All Purpose Cleaner, Lawn and Leaf Trash Bags, Twin Sized Bed Linen (New), Pillow Cases (New), Clorox, Disinfectant Wipes, Dish Cloths, Dish Towels, Mops, Lysol disinfectant spray, Pillows (New). Food Items: Dried Foods (Pasta, Rice, etc.) Soups, Ravioli, Snack Items, Canned Beans, Condiments, Canned vegetables, Canned fruit.

**GYM NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING MEETING** - We will be having a National Youth Gathering Meeting Jan. 14th at 6:00PM in the youth room. The 14th is also the deadline for the next \$100 payment for the National Youth Gathering.

**SENIORS@GRACE** - Seniors@Grace are planning their first event for **2018 on Thursday January 25 at 11:30 a.m.** With Valentine's Day approaching, Judy Huitt - using her book "Our Beloved, Our Friend" - will share ways to help us to know Jesus better and, thereby, fall deeper in love with Him through the Bible, His love letter to us. This will be the third in our author series! We will have a catered lunch and good fun and fellowship. Sign up on the tear and share Sunday!

**FAMILY PROMISE THANKS** - Really appreciate your help in hosting families last week at Grace. Your warm welcome, friendly smiles, talk, time, food, movies, games, etc. made a real difference for these folks at this time in their lives as they work to achieve self sufficiency. FYI for those of you who served at the first of the week - a third family, mother and six-year-old son joined us on Friday. Next weeks Grace hosts in 2018 are March 25-April 1, June 17-24, September 9-16 and December 2-9. Thanks again and let me know if you have any comments or questions. Sig Huitt (704/576-0407)

## GRACE CALENDAR

### MONDAY - January 8

10:00 AM	Pastor Rebecca's Mutual Ministry (Prayer)
1:00 PM	Staff (Prayer)
1:30 PM	Newcomers Knitwits (Common)
5:30 PM	Grace Ringers (Sanctuary)
6:00 PM	Campus Ministry (WH)
6:00 PM	Girl Scout Leaders (FH)
6:30 PM	Cub Scouts (Youth)
7:00 PM	Grace Alone Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #540 (106-107)

### TUESDAY - January 9

#### COUNCIL REPORTS AND NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

6:30 PM	WELCM (WH)
6:30 PM	SCWW (105)
6:30 PM	AA (101)
7:00 PM	Junior Women's Club of Rock Hill (FH)
7:30 PM	Bridge Group (102)

### WEDNESDAY - January 10

9:30 AM	Grace-C Quilters (103)
5:30 PM	Outreach (108)
6:30 PM	AA (101)
7:00 PM	Parish Choir (Music)
7:00 PM	Safety (107)

### THURSDAY - January 11

7:30 AM	Centering Prayer (Prayer Room)
6:30 PM	Public Relations (Conf)

### FRIDAY - January 12

5:30 PM	AA (101)
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### SATURDAY - January 13

9:00 AM	Council Retreat (Epiphany)
9:30 AM	Boy Scout Council (107)

### SUNDAY - January 14

8:30 AM	Contemporary Worship
9:45 AM	Coffee Fellowship (FH)
9:45 AM	Sunday School
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship
3:30 PM	GYM Girl's Group (Youth)
4:30 PM	GYM (Youth)
6:00 PM	GYM NYG Meeting (Youth)
7:00 PM	AA (101)

## January 14, 2018 Worship Assistants

**Hospitality:**  
Adele Evans

**Muggers:**  
Robin Ketner and Doug Gay

**Nursery:**  
Leslie Dunnett

**Tabulators:**  
Janeen Gilbertson and Bob Stonebraker

**Altar Guild:**  
Dee Westbrook and Betsy Bartel

#### **8:30 AM**

*Lector:* Ruth Wasserman

*Communion Assistant:* Brian Beer

*Petitioner:* Sig Huitt

*Crucifer:* Ryan Brown

*Acolytes:* Jaden Brown, Carsen Gamerl

*Greeter:* Kendall Anderson

*Ushers:* Floyd Ritchie, Kevin Winsch,  
Doug Gay, Kendall Anderson

#### **11:00 AM**

*Lector:* Dennis Legg

*Communion Assistant:* Dee Westbrook

*Petitioner:* Robin Ketner

*Crucifer:* Caroline Corbett

*Acolytes:* Jacob Corbett, Palmer Floyd

*Greeter:* Norma and Frank Surratt

*Ushers:* Wally Seigler, Eric Waataja,  
Dennis Hogue

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#### **JANUARY 2018**

Seniors@Grace - January 25 - 11:30 AM  
Author Talk with Judy Huitt

#### **FEBRUARY 2018**

GYM Ski Trip - February 9-11, 2018  
Seniors@Grace - February 22 - 11:30 AM  
The Carolina Copy Cats

#### **March 2018**

Seniors@Grace - March 22 - 11:30 AM

#### **JUNE/JULY 2018**

National Youth Gathering -  
Houston, Texas - June 27 - July 1, 2018