

# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

January 15 2018



A message from the Pastor Rebecca,

*"For you created my inmost part; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well. "- Psalm 139:13-14*

Our lessons for Sunday centered around call. Samuel, Phillip, and Nathaniel were all called by God in different ways. Their call stories weren't seamless, and they didn't seem like likely servants at first glance, yet God called them all. Our Psalm speaks to an amazing truth. Each one of us were created by God's hand for a purpose. Having a call doesn't mean becoming a pastor, or prophet, or ruler, it means that each one of us was created with unique gifts. God calls us to use the gifts God has given us to serve God and our neighbor. Knowing that, the question becomes how we will say, "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening."

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**MUSIC DIRECTOR** - Our music director, Larry Peterson, has resigned and his last Sunday at the church will be February 4th. His letter of resignation will be forthcoming in a separate email.

**REHEARSALS CANCELLED** - GraceMusic Kids and Grace Ringers rehearsals cancelled until further notice beginning today.

**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>

**FROM THE SAFETY TEAM** - Awareness as a Safety Strategy: If an emergency occurs your location should determine your best exit. Locate all exits when you enter a building. Note nearest exits. Important note, the way you entered the building is probably not the best choice for your exit.

**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!

**PINEWOOD DERBY** - Do you miss being a kid? Do you want to stake your claim as the fastest car in the church? Do you want to support the Cub Scouts? If you answered yes to any of these questions then we have just the thing for you! Cub Scout Pack 540 invites you to participate in the annual Pinewood Derby race. You get to design and build your own Pinewood Derby car and race it against all the "legends" of Pack 540. Experienced derby car "engineers" will be available to discuss car design and help with some of the construction of the car. The event will take place on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 – 4 in the Fellowship Hall. Light snacks will be served. A minimum \$10 donation is requested to cover the cost of the car. Contact Art Harris for more details.

**BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE - SECOND CALL** - Since we need a few more volunteers to meet our goal of establishing 3 or 4 teams who will rotate as needed through the year, we're giving everyone another chance to consider joining this important ministry. Those who volunteered and others (members, NEW MEMBERS, etc.) will be receiving an email next week about a meeting to organize (and establish guidelines) and brainstorm (there are many other ways to support our grieving members.) Men . . . please consider being a part of this ministry too! Contact Pat Kirk for more information (803-322-7772).

**PARISH NURSING** - This month we are featuring the Health Cabinet at Grace. The Health Cabinet steers our health program, but our volunteers make it all happen. When you view the boards, there is an opportunity to sign up as a Health Ministry volunteer. That doesn't mean you will be volunteering all the time, but there will be opportunities that come up from time to time that YOU can help with. As the bible says, "Many hands make work light". Together we can really have a great, meaningful health ministry program at Grace. Thank you! Gwendolyn McBride, RN, Parish Nurse.

## GRACE CALENDAR

### MONDAY - January 15

11:00 AM GYM - MLK Project (Youth)  
5:30 PM Grace Ringers (Sanctuary)  
6:00 PM York County Quilters (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 16

#### MUSIC DIRECTOR OUT OF OFFICE

5:30 PM Chrysalis (Conf)  
6:30 PM WELCM (WH)  
6:30 PM AA (101)

### WEDNESDAY - January 17

#### MUSIC DIRECTOR OUT OF OFFICE

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

### THURSDAY - January 18

#### MUSIC DIRECTOR OUT OF OFFICE

7:30 AM Centering Prayer (Prayer Room)

### FRIDAY - January 19

10:00 AM Racial Reconciliation (Common)  
5:30 PM AA (101)

### SATURDAY - January 20

7:00 AM Faith Formation Workshop (Columbia)  
8:00 AM Property (Patty Wagon)  
8:30 AM Confirmation (107, 108, 110, 111)

### SUNDAY - January 21

8:30 AM Contemporary Worship  
9:45 AM Coffee Fellowship (FH)  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship  
2:00 PM Council (107)  
4:30 PM GYM (Youth)  
7:00 PM AA (101)

## January 21, 2018 Worship Assistants

### Hospitality:

Irene and Doug Pointon

### Muggers:

Jean Faut and Kevin Winsch

### Nursery:

Katie Romero

### Tabulators:

Martha Hester and Larry Winsch

### Altar Guild:

Dee Westbrook and Betsy Bartel

### Home Communion Ministers:

Huitt; Gignac; Sliney/Westbrook

### 8:30 AM

*Lector:* Earl Gatlin

*Communion Assistant:* Sara Johnson

*Petitioner:* Anne Johnson

*Crucifer:* Coby Johnson

*Acolytes:* Jacob Bell, Connor Johnson

*Greeter:* Vicky and Bob Goodbar

*Ushers:* Floyd Ritchie, Kevin Winsch,

Doug Gay, Kendall Anderson

### 11:00 AM

*Lector:* Melissa Tucker

*Communion Assistant:* Craig Ketner

*Petitioner:* Doug Ludwig

*Crucifer:* Cameron Cassidy

*Acolytes:* Abby Ketner, Michael Echegaray

*Greeter:* Sue and Karlo Waataja

*Ushers:* Wally Seigler, Eric Waataja,

Dennis Hogue

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### JANUARY 2018

Seniors@Grace - January 25 - 11:30 AM

Learning/Youth & Family - Jan 28, noon

### FEBRUARY 2018

"Blessed Assurance" Play - February 3,

7:00 PM, Oakland Ave Pres. Church

GYM Ski Trip - February 9-11, 2018

Shrove Tues. Pancakes - Feb 13, 6:00 PM

Ash Wed. Worship - Feb. 14, 7:00 PM

Pinewood Derby - February 17 - 10:00 AM

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