

# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

August 13, 2018



A message from Pastor Ken,

*The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." 1 Kings 19:7*

The prophet Elijah is running for his life from the threats of King Ahab and Jezebel. "Lord, I've had it! I've had enough. Take my life," he says in exasperation. Falling asleep, he is awakened by an angel, telling him, "Get up and eat" the bread and water that God has provided. How many times do we feel like Elijah, nearly give out, when in a moment of exhaustion, God's Word invites to eat and drink, so that we may be strengthened for the journey. May we eat and drink of Jesus, the living bread, who gives his life-bread so that we may have strength for the journey!

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**BACKPACK BLESSING** - The backpack blessing is **Sunday, August 19**, at both services during the children's sermon. All students, teachers, administrators, etc., are asked to bring their backpacks to worship to receive a blessing and a keychain for the new school year. **Sunday, August 26** is **Rally Day**, the kick-off for the new Sunday School year. Rally Day games, snacks, crafts, and "meet your teacher" will be in the fellowship hall between services. Sunday School classes resume on September 2nd.

**GYM NYG PRESENTATION** - Grace Youth Ministry would like to invite the congregation to a National Youth Gathering presentation **Sunday, August 19 at 10 AM** in the **Fellowship Hall**. There will be a PowerPoint presented by Jacob Bell, followed by each member of the gathering sharing a few words of what the Youth Gathering meant to them. We want to thank each and every one of you for your support and prayers through this fantastic faith journey for our youth.

**CALLING ALL COOKIE BAKERS** - WELCM has asked that the congregation bring **HOMEMADE** cookies to church on **Sunday, August 19**, to give out at the Winthrop Convocation on Monday, August 20. Bring the cookies and place in the overflow area of the Fellowship Hall (between the kitchen and Fellowship Hall) on August 19.

**FAMILY PROMISE COMING TO GRACE** - the next week Grace hosts Family Promise is from Sunday, August 26 until Sunday, September 2. Sign up sheets are already on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Sig Huitt for further information ([SigHuitt@gmail.com](mailto:SigHuitt@gmail.com)).

**SENIORS@GRACE** - Come join Seniors@Grace on **Thursday August 23 at 11:30 am** for a pizza and salad lunch and a visit with Judy Huitt.

**PARENT ORIENTATION FOR CONFIRMATION** - Parents of confirmation age students (6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade) and other youth who might be interested in being confirmed (9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>) are invited to attend an orientation meeting on **Rally Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> between services**. We will meet in the woman's bible study room (downstairs - **room 106**). Contact Ruth Wasserman (803-372-8820) if you have any questions.

**SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD BANK TRUCK** - Grace will once again sponsor a Second Harvest Mobile Food Bank Truck on **Thursday, September 6, from 8:00 AM** until noon at Flint Hill Baptist Church, Rock Hill. Last year we served almost 300 families in less than three hours! It is a wonderful way to help our neighbors in need right now. If you would like to be part of this wonderful ministry, please sign up on your Tear and Share or on the sign-up sheet located in the Fellowship Hall. Any questions...please call Doris Lourigan at (803) 322-6737 or any Outreach Committee member.

**FALL MUSIC REHEARSAL SCHEDULES ANNOUNCED** - Dr. Jeremy Mims is pleased to announce the resumption of rehearsals for all the choirs at Grace. **Grace Alone**, the 8:30 AM contemporary choir, begins rehearsing on **Monday, August 27 at 7:30 PM** in the **Sanctuary** (with no rehearsal on **Labor Day, Sept. 2**). **Parish Choir**, the 11:00 AM traditional choir, begins on **Wednesday, August 29 at 7:00 PM** in the **Choir Room**. **Grace Ringers Handbells** start on **Monday, September 10 at 6:30 PM** in the **Choir Room**.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE BIG REVEAL** - Pastor Mary Mappas Finklea, 2018 chairperson of the LSC's "Love One Another" campaign, will be joining us Sunday, August 26 for both services. Grace's team will reveal how much was pledged to the campaign that day. Mark your calendars for this special event.

## GRACE CALENDAR

### MONDAY - August 13

5:45 PM Campus Ministry (WH)  
6:00 PM Parish Life (Common)  
6:30 PM Cub Scouts (Youth)  
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #540 (106-107)

### TUESDAY - August 14

#### COUNCIL REPORTS AND NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

6:30 PM AA (101)  
6:30 PM SCWW (107)  
6:30 PM Stewardship (Conf)  
7:30 PM Bridge Group (102)

### WEDNESDAY - August 15

9:30 AM Grace-C Quilters (103)  
6:30 PM Public Relations (Conf)  
6:30 PM AA (101)

### THURSDAY - August 16

7:30 AM Centering Prayer (Common)

### FRIDAY - August 17

5:30 PM AA (101)

### SATURDAY - August 18

#### NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

### SUNDAY - August 19

#### MILESTONE-BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS (BOTH SERVICES)

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

## August 19, 2018 Worship Assistants

#### Hospitality:

Coffee Only

#### Muggers:

Robin Ketner and Doug Gay

#### Nursery:

Katie Romero

#### Tabulators:

Martha Hester and Larry Winsch

#### Altar Guild:

Pam Kirby and Pam Ritchie

#### 8:30 AM

*Lector:* Steve Johnson

*Communion Assistant:* Sig Huitt

*Petitioner:* Earl Gatlin

*Acolyte:* Connor Johnson

*Greeter:* Kendall Anderson

*Ushers:* Bob Schavey, Bob Wasserman,

Eddie Hinson, Floyd Ritchie

#### 11:00 AM

*Lector:* Melissa Tucker

*Communion Assistant:* Debbie Gignac

*Petitioner:* Kathy Schwandt

*Acolyte:* Erin DeMartino

*Greeters:* Norma and Frank Surratt

*Ushers:* John Wayne, Larry Winsch

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#### AUGUST 2018

Seniors@Grace - August 23, 11:30 AM

GYM Beach Retreat - August 24 - 26

Family Promise - August 26 - September 2

Confirmation Parent's Orientation - August 26

#### SEPTEMBER 2018

Second Harvest Food Bank Truck - Sept. 6

First Confirmation Class - Sept. 15, 8:30 AM

**"Grateful Giving Drives Our Mission"**

#### Annual Stewardship Campaign

##### September 9 - 30

Stewardship Sunday Worship

September 30, 10:00 AM

Stewardship Celebration Meal

September 30, 11:00 AM

#### OCTOBER 2018

Parish Picnic - Elk's Park - October 14, 12:30 PM

#### NOVEMBER 2018

LIFT Retreat - Lutherock - November 9 - 11

Celebration Worship & Annual Dinner - Nov 18

Celebration Service - 10:00 AM

Meal and Meeting, 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM