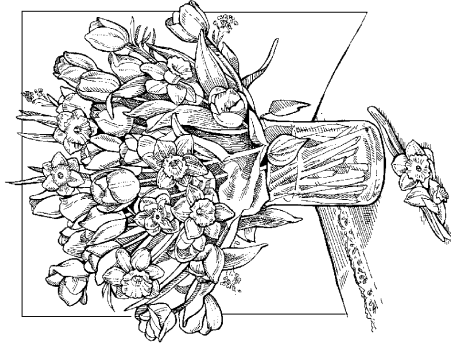


CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

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Today	8:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
	8:15 a.m.	Worship and Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Prayer Group
	9:25 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School, Confirmation Class
Mon., May 11	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
Tues., May 12	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
	10:00 a.m.	Newcomers
	6:30 p.m.	Mother-Daughter Banquet
Wed., May 13	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	TOPS, Vesper Handbell Choir
	6:30 p.m.	Mid-Week
	7:00 p.m.	Altar Choir, Trustees
Thurs., May 14	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
Fri., May 15	9:00 a.m.	Caring & Calling

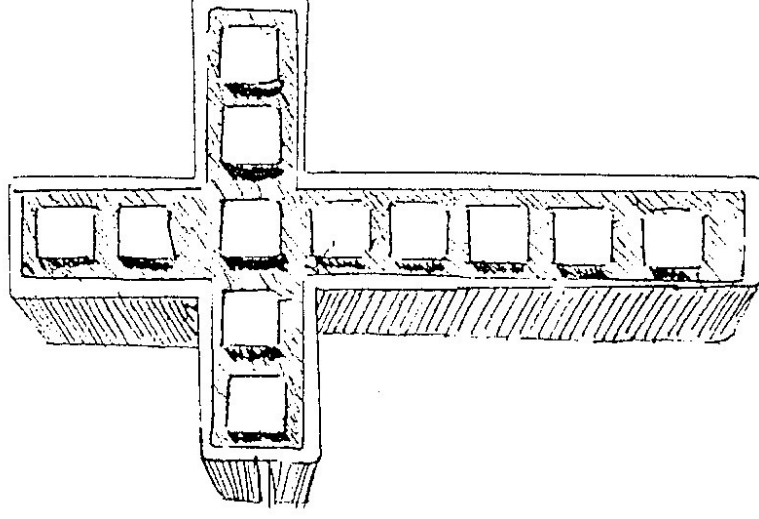


*I have been reminded of your sincere faith,
Which first lived in your grandmother...
And in your mother...and...now lives in you also.*

2 Timothy 1:5

Happy Mother's Day

If you are in need of a pastor outside office hours the week of May 10 - May 16 please call Pastor Steve Beutler at 765-455-0515 or 765-432-1088.



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United Methodist Church is a Christ-centered fellowship called to offer the best we can possibly give to God, as we care for our community and world through...

...worshiping, glorifying, and honoring God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

...inviting all to grow in the knowledge of the Lord.

...living a Spirit-filled life through our actions and words.

...offering the love of Christ to everyone.

WELCOME to worship at Grace United Methodist Church. We are happy that you are worshipping with us today and invite you to become a part of our fellowship. This is a holy place for worship, prayer, and celebration of what Jesus Christ is doing in our lives.

CHILDREN are always welcome in our worship services. Ask an usher for a special children's activity worksheet. First-time guests under age 12 are invited to inquire at the Welcome Center for a special gift. As a courtesy to parents, childcare (nursery thru 4 years) is available across from the sanctuary in Rooms 201 & 203.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH, for children preschool through Grade 2, is a time for worshipping the Lord in a more relaxed and interactive manner. We ask that parents please come and pick up your child(ren) from the Multi-Purpose Room at the conclusion of the service. There is no Children's Church the first Sunday of each month.

WORSHIPERS WHO ARE HEARING-IMPAIRED, are encouraged to ask an usher for an individual sound receiver to assist in hearing the worship service.

WORSHIPERS WHO ARE VISUALLY IMPAIRED, are welcome to ask an usher for a large print worship bulletin.

COFFEE AND DONUTS is a social time offered following our 9:25 worship service. We invite everyone to go to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation.

PLEASE PASS THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP PADS— Guests and members are requested to fill out the attendance pads found in the pews. Please take time to read the names as the pads are passed back so you may become familiar with the names of those around you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELLO LADIES! DO YOU WANT TO KNOW GOD AND REALLY BELIEVE IN HIM! Do you want to make the freedom Christ promised a reality in your daily life? Then join us this summer for a bible study with Beth Moore. This summer we will be studying "Breaking Free" based on Isaiah 61:1-4 and draw parallels between the captive Israelites and today's believers. We will meet on Thursday evenings 6:30 to 8:30 pm, starting on June 4 and running through Aug. 13. Weekly homework is required, but please don't let that scare you away. The experience will be well worth the work! If interested, please contact Kathy Rebber, Gail Estes, Mary Hedges or call the office by May 21 so we can order a book for you. See you then!

HAVE WE GOT A DEAL FOR YOU! Between the price of milk and the price of gas, \$5 doesn't seem to go very far these days! But, for a donation of just \$5 you could ensure that a child from our community gets to come to VBS and receive a free t-shirt and a CD of all the music they learn that week. Let's give these kids a way to remember the lessons of VBS all year long! Please give your donations to the church office or see Amanda Kelly for more details.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING - Annually, the United Methodists come together to support UMCOR'S ministries through One Great Hour of Sharing. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) serves millions of people around the world. It responds to catastrophic disasters such as flooding, civil unrest and violence, refugee crises, landslides, earthquakes and famine. When the emergency ends, recovery work begins. UMCOR continues it's ministry long after the media attention and public interest has faded.

THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE of Grace United Methodist Church is pleased to announce the availability of the Mary Ann Buell Education Scholarship, Dutton Health Care Scholarship, Widner/Voorhis Music Scholarship, The Walter Mayer Ministerial Education Scholarship, Bruce Clark Scholarship and Academic Scholarship. Applications are now available at the church office at 212 W. Walnut or online at www.kokomograce.org. Completed applications should be returned to the church office by 12:00 noon, Friday, June 12.

ATTENTION TO ALL THOSE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE! We would like to recognize your achievement and include you in Grace's Graduate Recognition Sunday on May 17th. We are looking for information regarding what school you are graduating from, what plans you have for your future and if graduating from college what degree you have received. To be included in the bulletin insert and recognized on May 17th, please provide information to the church office at 457-5329 or email information to Arlene Buell at abuell@iuk.edu. Even if you cannot attend on Sunday, May 17th, we would like to include you so please send us your information. Parents, please provide information for your out-of-town student. We will need to have all information no later than noon on Wednesday, May 13th to be included in the Sunday bulletin.

ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED for May 17, 24, 31 and June 14, 21 and 28. Contact the Church office to schedule.

MONDAY, MAY 19 6:00 P.M., MARLA VECHEY from the Howard County Recycling District will speak at the UJM Men's group. Reservations are needed only for the meal. Cost of the meal is now \$7.50. Reservations for the 6:00 p.m. catered meal may be given to Val Harris at 453-6952.

ON TUESDAY, MAY 12TH at 6:30 pm Grace UMW will "Give Our Regards to Mom!" The Gracetones will provide the entertainment and David DiSalvo will be our chef for the annual Mother / Daughter Banquet. Ticket prices are \$7.00 for ladies and \$3.00 for little ladies. Tickets will be sold Sunday April 26th through May 10th in the parlor before service and in Fellowship Hall after the 9:25 service. Childcare will be provided upon request. If you have any questions, please contact Dianne Waggaman at 459-4524.

EVERYONE MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND GRAB YOUR TOGAS! This year's United Methodist Cluster VBS will be held at Grace United Methodist Church, Sunday, June 14 through Thursday, June 18 from 6pm to 8pm. This year, we're going to Rome to learn about the early church from Paul...but right now the Marketplace is quiet, Paul is missing, and no one is worshipping at the Underground Church! We need your help to make Rome a city bustling with the Good News of Jesus Christ! We need plenty of shopkeepers, actors, and group leaders! So whether you're available just one night or the whole week, be sure to fill out a volunteer form and share your gifts! Pre-registration forms are also available for kids 3 years-5th grade. Hope to see you all there!

THE LITTLE "HELPING HANDS" are weekly in the pew or baskets to give you an opportunity to share how Grace Church as the body of Christ is sharing our loving hands with others. Are you showing Christ's love to a neighbor, a friend or a family member?, Are you serving at Kokomo Urban Outreach, or CAM?, Are you showing others the love of Christ through your actions? No matter how large or small your gift may feel to you-if Christ has laid that need on your heart, then please share it. By putting your "Helping Hands" into the offering plate every Sunday, you will be encouraging others to continue God's work by putting His love into action. How have you loved someone this week?

SUMMER TIME MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED - Monday Money Counters are needed for this summer. If you have a little bit of time on Monday mornings, contact the church office at 457-5329.