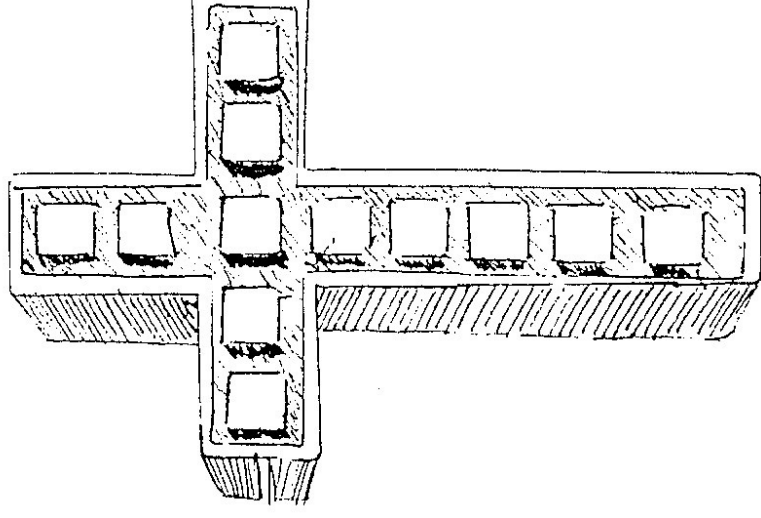


CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

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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
Mon., May 25		Office Closed
Tues., May 26	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
	10:00 a.m.	Newcomers
Wed., May 27	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	TOPS
	6:30 p.m.	Mid-Week
	7:00 p.m.	Altar Choir
Thurs., May 28	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
Fri., May 29	9:00 a.m.	Caring & Calling

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK



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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...

...worshipping, 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.

If you are in need of a pastor outside office hours the week of May 24 - May 30, please call Pastor Chris Roberts at 765-457-2841 or 765-480-8393.

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

RELAY FOR LIFE: The Graceful Walkers will once again participate in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, June 19-20. If you are interested in walking on the team or donating to the ACS, see Mel or Barb Hobbs in Fellowship Hall today.

ADDED GRACE will meet at Primrose Retirement Home on Tuesday June 2 at 11:30 AM. Our hosts will be John and Mary Lou Sneed. We will meet at Primrose (329 Rainbow Dr.) have lunch there and tour the facilities. This is a very new facility and Ruth Golightly now calls this home. Please make your reservations with Joy Loop on Sunday, May 24 or 31 or by telephone at 457-2703.

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!

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.**

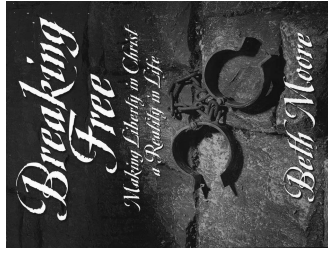
ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED for May 31 and June 14, 21 and 28. Contact the Church office to schedule.

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.

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.

DON'T FORGET TO "SHOP WITH JOY FOR MISSION!" Kokomo Urban Outreach, The Kokomo Rescue Mission and CAM are needing many items we collect in the yellow bags. Take one home today!



This year's United Methodist Cluster VBS will be held at Grace UMC. We're going to Rome to learn about the early church from Paul. We need plenty of shopkeepers, actors, and group leaders! Be sure to fill out a volunteer form and share your gifts! Pre-registration forms are also available for kids 3 years-5th grade at the Welcome Center