



The Worship of God

The Season of Grace

July 24, 2011

Please take a seat before the Welcome and quietly prepare for worship.

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

Emma Barnard

*The Call to Worship

Leader: Some of Jesus' sayings seem hard and even unreasonable.

People: "Love your enemies."

Leader: Jesus had a strange way of describing a blessing.

People: "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of even against you falsely on my account."

Leader: Summarize the teachings of Jesus.

People: Live compassionately!

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise

"Praise to the Living God"

No. 8 (vs. 1, 2 and 4)

The People at Prayer

*The Hymn of Offering

"We Love Your Realm, O God"

No. 312 (vs. 1, 3 and 6)

*The Offertory Prayer

The Offering

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:38-48

The Choral Meditation

"Near to the Heart of God"

The Sermon

“Facing Opposition”

The Hymn of Dedication

“Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life?”

No. 543 (vs. 1, 3 and 6)

*The Benediction

*The Congregational Benediction

“Blessed Be the Tie”

*Please stand

See words below

Blessed Be the Tie that Binds

*Blessed be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

We are Grace Baptist Church – a ministering people of God, reaching beyond our walls to the needs of our local and global community. We are an intergenerational Christian community called and committed to the life and teachings of Jesus Christ through:

- the experience of celebrative worship
 - servanthood discipleship
- the development of each member’s gifts for ministry
 - the work of peace and justice
 - the activity of faith-sharing
 - the pursuit of responsible freedom
- and the welcoming of all people to the life and work of God’s kingdom through
Grace Baptist Church.

We are affiliated with the Alliance of Baptists and the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America.

WELCOME TO ALL who have chosen to worship with us today. We pray that your being present will bring joy and peace and presence of God to you.

You are welcome to be a participant in the church activities at Grace.

If you are interested in joining this congregation as we seek to discern and live out God’s call to us,

please speak to our pastor or a church member.

You may also contact us by phone at 704-872-5130,

or by email at gracestatesville@gmail.com. Visit our website at www.gracestatesville.org.

CALENDAR

TODAY	Stewardship	9am
WEDNESDAY	Choir Rehearsal	7pm

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Mary Ruth Godfrey, Gerald Grant, Lyndsay, Willie and Emma Seay, the Goodman family, Frank Geer (uncle of Nancy Davis), Will Coleman, Bob Stillerman, Ken Wilkerson, Landon Wood, Lori Bechner, Kenyada Daniels/Patrick Young, Anita Johnson, Edna Elliott, family of Donna Towe, Aireeana Fletcher, Monica Charles, Evelyn Stein, Jo Quinn Murphy, Brad Sherrill, Barry Hall, Jim Forbes, Kathy Agnew and family, Ric Comer, Gray Comer, Mary Alice Wood, Hope Bennett, Barbara Robinson, Mary Jean Grose, Dr. and Mrs. Hanna Kutteh, End of the Road NA Group, Penney Kummer, Megan Marlowe, Lisa McKinna, Logan Olsen, Allen Torres, Michael and Katelyn Johns, local law enforcement officers and fire fighters, those who are mentally ill, those affected by violence, those who are incarcerated, International disaster relief

**Other prayer needs: Remember our own community of Grace
as we search for a church musician**

Those in the military: Greg West, John Hendrix, Rob Maxey, Josh Wingfield, William Eckliff, Phil Thompson, David Jones, James Pulliam, Jake Dickinson, JJ Golden, Mark Staley, Adam Ivey, Warren Dilger, Austin Frutig, , Zach Spoor, Mary Jane Johnson, Travis Clower, James Mallory

ASSIGNMENTS

Church Maintenance

July 31	Barber
August 7	Adams/Wiberg
August 14	Hendrix

Mowing

July 31	Neal Grose
August 7	Gary West
August 14	John Munson

Second Hour Helpers

DATE	INFANTS	TODDLERS
July 24	Patti West	Arnold Watt
July 31	Sheri Coarsey	Neal Grose
August 7	Allison Copeland	David Comer

BUDGET NEEDS THROUGH 07/03/11	\$49,313.92
AMOUNT RECEIVED THROUGH 07/03/11	\$43,702.31
YTD <u>UNDER</u> BUDGET	\$5,611.61
MONTH <u>UNDER</u> BUDGET	\$617.44
WEEKLY REQUIREMENTS	\$1700.48

SHOPPING FOR THE SHELTER

Shaving cream, razors, medicated food powder

FLOWERS FOR JULY

Sheri Coarsey

LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

Genesis 32:22-31 and Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Isaiah 55:1-5 and Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

We will be receiving a special mission offering during the remaining part of Season of Grace. Our gifts will be designated for the Alliance of Baptists "Bridges of Hope" mission endeavor. The offering provides support both for national and international ministries.