



Grace Baptist Church

October 2, 2011

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

The Worship of God

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

Nancy Davis

The Choral Call to Worship

“This is the Day the Lord Has Made”

*The Call to Worship

Leader: God of all creation,

People: what do you require of us?

Leader: To do justice,

People: seeking peace and reconciliation, standing with the marginalized and forgotten.

Leader: To love kindness,

People: showing compassion and unconditional caring for those in need.

Leader: To walk humbly,

People: following in the steps of Jesus, lifting up not the work of our hands but the power that sustains our service.

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise

“Sing Praise to God Who Has Shaped”

No. 22 (vs. 1, 3 and 4)

The Hebrew Lesson

Jeremiah 7:1-11

The People at Prayer

The Choral Response

“Our Lord’s Prayer”

*The Hymn of Offering

“Loves Divine, All Loves Excelling”

No. 43 (vs. 1, 2 and 4)

The Offertory

The Gospel Lesson

Luke 10:30-35

The Choral Meditation

“The Greatest Gift is Love”

The Sermon

“Divine Love as Distributive Justice”
Dr. John Dominic Crossan

The Hymn of Dedication

“Tapestry of Faith”
See back of page

*The Benediction

*The Choral Benediction

“May the Lord Bless You and Keep You”

*Please stand

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

SUNDAY	Davis Lecture Series	7pm
MONDAY	Luncheon honoring Dr. Crossan at Fifth Street Davis Lecture Series NA	Noon 7pm 8pm
TUESDAY	Davis Lecture Series	7pm
WEDNESDAY	Choir Rehearsal	7pm
FRIDAY	NA	8pm

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Mary Ruth Godfrey, Gerald Grant, Ruby Jordan, the Goodman family, Frank Geer (uncle of Nancy Davis), Gary Stinchcomb, Deb Cashdollar, Jean Warren, Will Coleman, Lois Oswalt, Ken Wilkerson, Landon Wood, Lori Bechner, Kenyada and Persia Daniels, Anita Johnson, Edna Elliott, Monica Charles, Evelyn Stein, Jo Quinn Murphy, Brad Sherrill, 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 Olson, Aaron Torres, Abby Winthrop, Victor Sisk, Kelly Marcy children who are a part of the Guardian ad Litem program, local law enforcement officers and fire fighters, those who are mentally ill, those affected by violence, those who are incarcerated, International disaster relief

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, Logan Frutig

ASSIGNMENTS

Church Maintenance

Before October 9	Rawls
October 16	C. Rogers/Jordan
October 23	Barnard

Second Hour Helpers

	Infants	Toddlers
TODAY	Neal Grose	Allison Copeland
October 9	David Comer	Louise Grose
October 16	Tom Wiberg	Carole Hendrix

BUDGET NEEDS THROUGH 09/25/11	\$66,318.72
AMOUNT RECEIVED THROUGH 09/25/11	\$60,129.21
YTD UNDER BUDGET	\$6,189.51
MONTH OVER BUDGET	\$417.86
WEEKLY REQUIREMENTS	\$1700.48

SHOPPING FOR THE SHELTER

Hoodies, thermal underwear

FLOWERS FOR OCTOBER

Debbie Starrette

LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP - Exodus 32:1-14 and Psalm 106:1-6, 19-13; Isaiah 25:1-9 and Psalm 23; Philipians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~We welcome Dr. John Dominic Crossan to our pulpit today. Tonight is the beginning of our Davis Lecture Series, marking 10 years since its beginning.

Lectures begin at 7pm tonight, and continue at the same time Monday and Tuesday evenings. Childcare is provided. You are invited to attend a luncheon at Fifth Street Ministries on Monday at noon for an informal time of fellowship with Dr. Crossan.

Please let Gary know if you plan to attend.

~Budget requests from boards and committees for the 2012 budget are due to the Stewardship Board today.

The Tapestry of Faith

Days of joy and days of struggle,
Days of seeking God's new dream;
Days of fruit and days of waiting,
Faith to trust what can't be seen;
Through the days and years together
Runs a clear and constant thread
Of the love of God here with us
By whose Spirit we are led.

Faces new and faces weathered
Through the living of the days;
Faith that's new and faith well-practiced,
Even faith that's lost its way;
Gathered here we all are diff'rent
Yet we claim to be made one
By the thread that's ever near us,
Life together in the Son.

Like a tapestry, we're woven
With these threads so fine and true -
All the people, all the moments,
All the work we've sought to do,
All are woven up together
Giving color, giving shape
But in Christ we're knit together
With the constant threads of grace