

Light of Grace

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Sunday School 9:00 AM

Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM

Dear Friends,

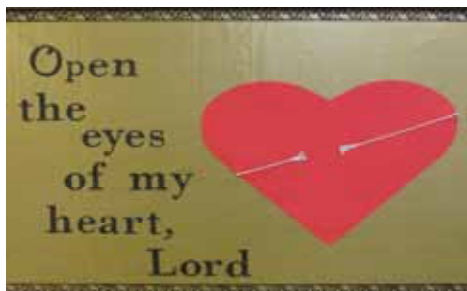
September 13th—23 children in worship,
plus 2 babies.

September 13th—an afternoon carnival for
the neighborhood with 30+ kids.

September 13th—125+ in worship.

There were more Sundays than the 13th but I believe the 13th was a lovely glimpse into the direction Grace is headed. You may have heard it said, “When the student is ready the teacher appears.” I have no proof, but I believe a similar saying is true. “When a congregation is ready new people appear.” Grace has been doing a lot of praying, prayer-walking, coach-lead talking, seminar-based listening, bulletin board upgrading and facility work inside and out. God is working with us toward a future, with glimpses of what that future may be along the way.

So, what’s happening in October? There’s a book entitled *Unbinding Your Heart* that will guide us for 40 days beginning October 4th thru November 9th. You are invited to be part of one of the one hour weekly classes. (Yes, the book is available at the church for \$10). If you don’t wish to take a class you may still get the book. The best thing about the book is it has 40 days of devotional-style readings with room for you to reflect on what you read—to write a prayer, paste a picture or make a note-to-self.



For those pressed for time or for whom a book study isn’t a favored cup of tea—each week everyone will receive an e-mail reflection about “Unbinding Your Heart.” Each Sunday there’ll be a thought from the *Unbinding Your Heart* in the bulletin. Further, Sunday Messages will focus on *Unbinding Your Heart*. If you desire you may even talk about a thought from “Unbinding the Heart” in your small group.

You may sign up for a study on:
Sunday Evenings from 7 – 8 PM
with P. Murray facilitating.
Saturday Mornings from 9:30 –
10:30 AM with A. Horn facilitating.
Tuesday Mornings from 9:30 –
10:30 AM with Pastor Roger facilitating.

Or, you may name a time that works for you and perhaps we’ll have enough to have a class. Currently, Sunday at 9 AM and Monday afternoon are possibilities.

What’s the gist of “Unbinding Your Heart”? “Unbinding Your Heart” is a 40 day journey in opening ourselves up to God and neighbor. It is a way of preparing ourselves for whatever God is dreaming for us to be and do as Grace UMC. It is a spiritual growth opportunity...and you’ve been invited. Hope to see you there.

In Christ’s Service,
Pastor Roger

"P.S. 34 children for children's moments on September 27th" .



PRAYER LIST at Care Facilities

Peggy Anderson (R.E.M. House)
 Elouise Brendemuhl (Kinder Care)
 Mabel Burkhardt (Bethany)
 Lois Ferguson (Eventide)
 Hyacinth Kronbeck (Park View)
 Marjorie Ladwig (Eventide)
 Tom Collins (Eventide)
 Mabel Johnson (Bethany)
 Delores Dronen (Jamestown)
 Mary J. Phillips (Sheyenne Crossing)
 Jeanne Schwager (Bethany)
 Clara Krook (Bethany)
 Vi Williams (Bethany on 42nd)

PRAYER LIST at Home

Vicky Westra Rae Offutt
 Linda Collins Ruth Opp
 Dale Smith Tom Collins
 Brenda Rowand Lois Norby

If you have any prayer concerns, call Paula Horner, 218-790-



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

5—J. Graning
 7—B. Burkhardt
 12—D. Walter
 19—D. Horn
 22—A. Larson
 27—K. Enkers
 M. Hamm
 L. Gibson
 29—L. Jensen



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

3—J. & C. Ladwig
 5—P. & K. Anderson
 12—N. & T. Moore
 22—O. & J. Alveshere



Ministry TEAM Program.. A Way of Being the Church at GUMC! The TEAM's mission is to provide ushers, greeters, opening welcome and readers to our congregation . TEAM #1 (Oct/Apr) TEAM Coordinator is Naomi. Grow.

218-299-2022 J. & L. Denny
 218-233-6709 D. Dronen
 218-287-3404 J. & J. Eide
 218-236-7780 E. Elliott
 218-236-8820 B. & S. Frangrud & Family
 218-236-7319 C. & R. Goldade
 218-233-1969 D. & J. Granting
 218-233-5428 T. & M. Lou Kley
 218-236-1643 I, Koenning
 218-233-6411 B, & C, Krogen
 218-233-1690 H, Kronbeck
 701-282-7007 C, Krook
 218-287-4316 B, & S, Martin
 218-790-1162 N, McCaskell
 701-478-1410 B, Paulson & B, Rowland
 218-236-7136 E, Payton
 701-235-5413 M, J, Phillips
 701-212-8783 J, Stuart
 218-236-9212 B, Wagner
 701-388-6690 M, & R, Wagner
 701-364-3940 P, & D, Walter
 701-361-4278 B, Weik & Family
 763-438-6746 P, Welsh & Family



Healthy Church Initiative

UNBINDING THE HEART

Grace will begin a 40 day All Church study October 6th - November 14th. And everyone is invited to be a part of this experience.

Options available are:

- A) Sign up for one of three weekly 60 minute studies,
- B) Attend worship when the message series is "Unbinding the Heart,"
- C) Reflect on the weekly "Unbinding the Heart" e-mail with prayer, and written reflections.
- D) Ponder the "Unbinding the Heart" weekly bulletin insert.
- E) Use one of the "Unbinding the Heart" devotions to start a discussion group. Choose one or all of these ways to ask God to open your heart in your spiritual walk. (If you are unable to attend at these times - please indicate a time you would be available).

Scheduled times are:

Tuesday 9:30 am —10:30 am; Saturday 9:30 am —10:30 am; Sunday 7:00 pm—8:00 pm
 Books are \$10. If you are unable to afford a book please speak with Pastor Roger.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

September

INCOME: \$ 9,387.60
 EXPENSES: \$10,778.16
 APPORTIONMENTS: \$ 96.34



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



World Communion Sunday is October 4th. Around the globe, countless gifted and qualified people face financial obstacles that hinder them from preparing for the vocation God has given them, especially youth and young adults. For ethnic students who will be the first generation in their families to attend college, or for those people of color who haven't historically had access to resources that made higher education possible, the road toward education has often been unwieldy.

Will you give generously on World Communion Sunday to make education and vocational impact possible for more students? Will you equip gifted and qualified students from around the globe to become the world-changers God created them to be?

Because of your giving on World communion Sunday, the most powerful tool to change the world is in more hands.

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY



The Emergency Food Pantry has a great need for more volunteers! There are lots of different opportunities to help, regardless of age or physical limitations. Volunteers are welcome Monday – Friday from 8am – noon and 1pm - 4pm. If you can't volunteer your time, another way to help is through donations! Some commonly needed items are canned tuna, canned fruit, peanut butter, and milk. We are always in need of hygiene products, baby items (such as food, formula, diapers), and household items (such as detergents and cleaning products.) Feel free to visit us to learn more about the Emergency Food Pantry.



FALL FESTIVAL

The Women of Grace Fall Festival will be held on Sat., Nov.7. Doors will be opened from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch of homemade soup, sandwich, and dessert will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Left over soup will be sold by the quart and pint after 1 p.m. to those who place their names on a sign-up sheet. We need your support and donations of craft items, bake sale goods, desserts and Country Store used items. Join in the fellowship by helping with this event. Sign-up sheets will be on the narthex table. Contacts: J, Anderson, P, Murray, J, Graning.

START COLLECTING!!



As part of the annual Women of Grace Fall Festival, we will open our Country Store of used items on Nov. 7. Please bring books, household and holiday décor, toys, jewelry, stationery, dishes and kitchen items. Please NO clothing. Bring your items to the south end of the education hall to the north end of the youth room, there will be a sign on the door, "Country Store Donations." Contacts: J, Anderson, P, Murray, J, Graning.

NEW LIFE CENTER



October gifts for the New Life center will be white flat and fitted twin sheets, If anyone can help us supply these items, we will have a box by the food cart. The next meeting is October 16th. Thank you for your help. If you have any questions, please call J, Oelke.

Date	Psalms	OT	Epistle	Gospel
Thur, Oct 1	am: 105:1-22, pm: 105:23-45	2 Kng 18:28-37	1 Cor 9:1-15	Matt 7:22-29
Fri, Oct 2	am: 102, pm: 107:1-32	2 Kng 19:1-20	1 Cor 9:16-27	Matt 8:1-17
Sat, Oct 3	am: 107:33-43, 108, pm: 33	2 Kng 19:21-36	1 Cor 10:1-13	Matt 8:18-27
Sun, Oct 4	am: 118, pm: 145	2 Kng 20:1-21	Acts 12:1-17	Luke 7:11-17
Mon, Oct 5	am: 106:1-18, pm: 106:19-48	2 Kng 21:1-18	1 Cor 10:14-11:1	Matt 8:28-34
Tue, Oct 6	am: 121, 122, 123, pm: 124, 125, 126	2 Kng 22:1-13	1 Cor 11:2, 17-22	Matt 9:1-8
Wed, Oct 7	am: 119:145-176, pm: 128, 129, 130	2 Kng 22:14-23:3	1 Cor 11:23-34	Matt 9:9-17
Thur, Oct 8	am: 131, 132, 133, pm: 134, 135	2 Kng 23:4-25	1 Cor 12:1-11	Matt 9:18-26
Fri, Oct 9	am: 140, 142, pm: 141, 143	2 Kng 23:36-24:17	1 Cor 12:12-26	Matt 9:27-34
Sat, Oct 10	am: 137, 144, pm: 104	Jer 35:1-19	1 Cor 12:27-13:3	Matt 9:35-10:4
Sun, Oct 11	am: 146, 147, pm: 111, 112, 113	Jer 36:1-10	Acts 14:8-18	Luke 7:36-50
Mon, Oct 12	am: 1, 2, 3, pm: 4, 7	Jer 36:11-26	1 Cor 13:1-13	Matt 10:5-15
Tue, Oct 13	am: 5, 6, pm: 10, 11	Jer 36:27-37:2	1 Cor 14:1-12	Matt 10:16-23
Wed, Oct 14	am: 119:1-24, pm: 12, 13, 14	Jer 37:3-21	1 Cor 14:13-25	Matt 10:24-33
Thur, Oct 15	am: 18:1-20, pm: 18:21-50	Jer 38:1-13	1 Cor 14:26-33a 37-40	Matt 10:34-42
Fri, Oct 16	am: 16, 17, pm: 22	Jer 38:14-28	1 Cor 15:1-11	Matt 11:1-6
Sat, Oct 17	am: 20, 21, pm: 110, 116, 117	2 Kng 25:8-12, 22-26	1 Cor 15:12-29	Matt 11:7-15
Sun, Oct 18	am: 148, 149, 150, pm: 114, 115	Jer 29:1, 4-14	Acts 16:6-15	Luke 10:1-12, 17-20
Mon, Oct 19	am: 25, pm: 9, 15	Jer 44:1-14	1 Cor 15:30-41	Matt 11:16-24
Tue, Oct 20	am: 26, 28, pm: 36, 39	Lam 1:1-12	1 Cor 15:41-50	Matt 11:25-30
Wed, Oct 21	am: 38, pm: 119:25-48	Lam 2:8-15	1 Cor 15:51-58	Matt 12:1-14
Thur, Oct 22	am: 37:1-18, pm: 37:19-42	Ezra 1:1-11	1 Cor 16:1-9	Matt 12:15-21
Fri, Oct 23	am: 31, pm: 35	Ezra 3:1-13	1 Cor 16:10-24	Matt 12:22-32
Sat, Oct 24	am: 30, 32, pm: 42, 43	Ezra 4:7, 11-24	Philemon 1-25	Matt 12:33-42
Sun, Oct 25	am: 63, 98, pm: 103	Hag 1:1-2:9	Acts 18:24-19:7	Luke 10:25-37
Mon, Oct 26	am: 41, 52, pm: 44	Zech 1:7-17	Rev 1:4-20	Matt 12:43-50
Tue, Oct 27	am: 45, pm: 47, 48	Ezra 5:1-17	Rev 4:1-11	Matt 13:1-9
Wed, Oct 28	am: 119:49-72, pm: 49, 53	Ezra 6:1-22	Rev 5:1-10	Matt 13:10-17
Thur, Oct 29	am: 50, 59, 60, pm: 66, 67	Neh 1:1-11	Rev 5:11-6:11 pm: Rev 19:1-10	Matt 13:18-23
Fri, Oct 30	am: 40, 54, pm: 51	Neh 2:1-20	Rev 6:12-7:4	Matt 13:24-30
Sat, Oct 31	am: 55, pm: 138, 139	Neh 4:1-23	am: Rev 7:4-17	Matt 13:31-35

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline 1:30 pm Martha Circle 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervisor Class	2 Wedding Rehearsal	3 3:00 pm Horn/Ybarra Wedding
4 19th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Worship w/ Communion World Communion Sunday 10:15 am Children's Sunday School	5 1:00 pm Quilting	6 9:30 am Unbinding the Heart Study 7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Training Class	7 6:15 pm Hand Bell Choir 6:30 pm AWANA 7:15 pm Choir	8 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline Pastor at HCI Training—Savage	9	10 9:30 am Unbinding the Heart Study 2:00 pm Baby Shower— Grafenstein & Olmstead
11 20th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 10:15 am Children's Sunday School 7:00 pm Unbinding the Heart Study	12 1:00 pm Quilting	13 9:30 am Unbinding the Heart Study 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Training Class	14 6:15 pm Hand Bell Choir 6:30 pm AWANA 7:15 pm Choir	15 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline 7:00 pm Lydia Circle at L. Davis 11:30 am FM UM Clergy Mtg. 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervisor	16	17 9:30 am Unbinding the Heart Study
18 21st Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 10:15 am Children's Sunday School 7:30 pm Unbinding the Heart Study	19 1:00 pm Quilting	20 9:30 am Unbinding the Heart Study 7:00 pm Ad Council 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Training Class	21 6:00 pm HCI w/Coach 6:15 pm Hand Bell Choir 6:30 pm AWANA 7:15 pm Choir	22 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline 9:00 am Park View 10:00 am Golden Living 2:00 pm River Pointe Worship	23	24 9:30 am Unbinding the Heart Study
25 22nd Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 10:15 am Children's Sunday School 7:00 pm Unbinding the Heart Study	26 1:00 pm Quilting	27 9:30 am Unbinding the Heart Study 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Training Class	28 6:15 pm Hand Bell Choir 6:30 pm AWANA 7:15 pm Choir	29 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline	30	31 9:30 am Unbinding the Heart Study



DONUTS

Donuts will be made on Wednesday, October 7th, and October 21st. The last day to order is, the Monday before the donuts are made. Please place your orders with the office, 218-233-1857.



BABY SHOWER

Everyone is invited to A baby shower for T, Grafenstein and M, Olmstead on Saturday, October 10th from 2:00—4:00 pm



WORLD THANK OFFERING

Through the years, mission has been the main focus of the members of United Methodist Women. Being in mission is sharing our lives and gifts with others that all may be whole persons through Jesus Christ Mission is working to eliminate racism, sexism, and loneliness. Mission is Christ's challenge to us to bring the possibility for food, shelter and fulfillment to all of humanity. Through Thank Offering contributions mission projects are supported in all 50 states and in almost 100 countries. Please take one of the small jars on the table and fill it with your donation before returning to the Women of Grace.

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