

1:00 pm MON – Memory Lane Support Group & Respite
9:00 am TUE – Weight Accountability Group
7:00 am WED – Men’s Prayer Group & Breakfast
4:00 pm WED – Choir Practice
10:00 am THR – SOAP Bible Study- led by Jan Wise
11:30 am THR – Lunch Bunch Bible Study- led by Sharon Miller
10:00 am FRI – Wise Bible Study- led by Jan Wise
10:15 am FRI – Bible Study at Meadowcrest Clubhouse (in Crystal River) with Pastor Bill -will not meet 12/22 & 12/29

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Katherine Cornelius shoulder replaced- **infection complication, Gordon Ashley’s** surgery went well, and he is home, **Marge Stidd is still in critical condition. Kelly** - cancer treatments (Judy Chambliss’ daughter-in-law). **Katie’s sister-in-law** (chemo), **Marie’s son, James** (dialysis). The war in the Middle East, **Ellie** (Neil’s sister) & **Jerry** (friend of Comfort’s) both are choosing no treatment for cancer. To make prayer requests & praises and/or to be put on the list of people receiving email prayer requests throughout the week-send an email to janmetcalf7@gmail.com. Then remember to pray as you receive requests. **Remember our shut-ins: Marilyn Watson, Judith Funk, & Phyllis Colquitt** – addresses are in our online directory.

MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES

We support Samaritan’s Purse Evangelistic and Disaster Relief around the world. Samaritan’s Purse has a presence in Israel. **YTD, we have given \$2,383.** Please note an amount on your check and/or envelope if you would like to give to them. We also support local Food Bank with gifts of food. SOS Fund – Pastor’s discretionary fund to assist people in crisis. **If you know someone in the church or community that needs assistance,** please let Pastor Bill know.

Karen Kline – is our Faith Community Nurse.

Karen Kline & Carol MacKenzie along with other trained **Stephen’s Ministers** are available to assist you if you or someone you know would like a caring friend to listen, pray for you and with you.

Carolyn Bright – Card ministry – if you would like someone to receive a card from the congregation let Carolyn know.



The Candle of Peace

December 10, 2023

GRACE METHODIST CHURCH

We Celebrate, Serve, and Grow in Christ

We are a Stephen Ministry Church

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**WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS
& LIGHTING OF CANDLES** Pastor Kip

PRELUDE Rob Wackerman

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH & INVOCATION
Karen Stone & Cindy Kulp

***HYMN #162** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

***TIME OF GREETING**

CHOIR *Sing We Now of Christmas*

**JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER** Pastor Kip

***PRESENTING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*DOXOLOGY**

***HYMN # 344** (Vs 1 &4) *When Peace Like a River*

MESSAGE **His Peace – Our Blessings!** Pastor Kip
John 14:27 & 16:23

***HYMN # 194** *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

CHORUS (2 times) *I Love You with the Love of the Lord*
I love you with the love of Lord.
Yes, I love you with the love of the Lord.
I can see in You the glory of my King,
And I love you with the Love of the Lord.

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Kip
*Standing if able

If you have questions or want to talk - you can contact Pastor Bill at pastorbill@gracemethodistchurch.org - call or text 260- 241-4869 or Pastor Kip at pastorkip@gracemethodistchurch.org - call or text 352-422-3493

HAPPENINGS AT GRACE

Today until 11:30 Blood Drive in the parking lot.
1:00 PM All women are invited to brainstorm and see if there are additional areas of ministry that we might add.

Now through Dec. 17 choose a Samaritan's Purse Project to support. Fill out the special Christmas envelope and put it in the Offering. There are catalogs & envelopes in the Activity Room. Please do not take catalogs home. YOU have received the Catalog in your email 3 times. Please look in your email file or your deleted emails. It was sent from Pastor Bill and may be an attachment.

WOW – Thanks you for helping us make Christmas a little special for the clients of Home Instead.

Dec 17 – WOW will be wrapping your Christmas packages in the Fellowship Hall before and after the service.

Looking ahead to Sunday, Dec. 24! We will be having our regular morning service on Dec 24 and a Christmas Eve Service of Lessons & Carols at 4pm. Please invite family and friends to join you at our **Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service.**

Another date to save is Sunday, January 28th – we will be celebrating our 1-year anniversary as Grace Methodist.