

## WEEKLY STUDIES AND GROUPS

1:00 pm MON – Memory Lane Support Group & Respite  
9:00 am TUE – Weight Accountability Group  
7:00 am WED – Men’s Prayer Group then Breakfast at Sugarmill  
4:00 pm WED – Choir – new members are always welcome.  
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 Prayer & Bible Study - led by Jan Wise  
10:15 am FRI – Meadowcrest Bible Study - led by Pastor Bill -  
at Meadowcrest Clubhouse

## PRAAYER NEEDS

Nelson Bell showing some improvement, Diane Swick-lung cancer (loves company) is at Diamond Ridge, Kelly Chambliss, Marie Witham’s son-in-law/lung cancer also pray for her daughter Shannon, Fran McCrady, reoccurring cancer, has moved to Trenton, FL, Jen Bentley, adrenal failure. Neil Kline’s extended family members, Pastor Kip & Sherry Younger—serving as interim pastor at Crystal River Community Church, others with serious unspoken requests. Wars in Europe & unrest here in US. To make prayer requests & praises and/or to be put on the list of people receiving email prayer requests throughout the week - email [janmetcalf7@gmail.com](mailto:janmetcalf7@gmail.com). Remember our shut-ins: Marilyn Watson & Judith Funk, – addresses are in our online directory.

## MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES

We support Samaritan’s Purse Evangelism & Disaster Relief around the world. We also support the Food Bank at 1<sup>st</sup> UMC 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 or Pastor Kip know.

**Karen Kline** – is our Faith Community Nurse.

**Karen Kline & Carol MacKenzie** along with other trained Stephen Ministers are available to assist you if you need a friend to listen.

**Carolyn Bright** – Card ministry – if you would like someone to receive a card from the congregation let Carolyn know. **Comfort and Care Meal** are available for those in difficult circumstances (illness, accident, surgery, etc.)

Call June Kirschbaum 352-382-0424



**December 15, 2024**

**3rd Sunday of Advent**

**Today we light the candles of Hope, Peace and Joy.**

## **GRACE METHODIST CHURCH**

**We Celebrate, Serve, and Grow in Christ**

**We are a Stephen Ministry Church**

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**WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS** Pastor Bill  
**LIGHTING OF ALTAR CANDLES** Pastor Bill  
**PRELUDE** Rob Wackerman  
*Christ was Born/Song of the Shepherds*

**LIGHTING OF 3<sup>rd</sup> ADVENT CANDLE** Candle of Joy  
**INVOCATION** Wayne & Pat Pohlman

\*Standing if able

\***HYMN #201** *Joy to the World*

\***TIME OF GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God.  
I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood!  
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod.  
For I'm part of the family, the family of God.

**CHOIR** *A New Noel*

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**  
**PASTORAL PRAYER** Pastor Bill

\***PRESENTING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS** Pastor Bill  
\***DOXOLOGY #682**

**RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS** – Jerry Comfort, Julie Staffer, Peg Marshal, Richard Reiss, Ralph & Lorriane Washburn, and Susan Contegri

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (will be on the screen)

**MESSAGE** *Advent Joy* Pastor Bill  
Philippians 4:1-9 & Luke 1:28-49

\***HYMN #190** *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

\***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 Bill

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

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### **HAPPENING AT GRACE**

**Each Sunday 8:30am – 9:45am** there is social time with coffee and sweets in Fellowship Hall. This is a great way to meet people. **Check the back page for the weekly events and studies.** New people are always welcome.

**Today 1-2:30 pm Christmas Open House w/refreshments**  
**3:00 pm Erin Abu Christmas Concert**

**Next Sunday** will be a special presentation in word and song-  
*Sing We Now of Christmas* written by our own Cheryl Thurman and presented by Grace Players and our fabulous Grace Choir.

**Dec. 24 5:00 pm Christmas Eve** - Lessons in Scripture & Song with Candlelight Communion Service

**Mission Committee report:** Watch for information later about our “**Christmas in July**” project for Samaritan’s Purse. **We are adding a new mission in 2025.** We will be supporting *Residing Hope* (formerly the United Methodist Children’s Home) in Enterprise, FL. Residing Hope is an approved mission of the Global Methodist Church. Stay tuned for how you can participate. For more info google - [residinghope.org](http://residinghope.org)