

Grace Notes

- Today's **Forth Sunday Loose offering** will go to Family Promise.
- The **Music Ministry** at Grace Church is growing. Our choirs meet **Wednesdays** with Children's Choir at **5:15 p.m.** and Adult Choir at **6:15 p.m.**
- **Fiber Friends and Fellowship** meets every **Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**
- If you would like to **donate to Family Promise**, scan the Grace QR Code.
- **WWW** meets on **Tuesday evenings** in the parlor from **6:30 - 8:00 p.m.** Come join us as we continue our discussion of *Searching For Sunday*.
- **St. Catherine's Guild** will not meet in **February**. Their next meeting will be **Monday, March 2nd at noon** in the parish hall. One of our new members Betty Avakian who is an aesthetician, will be speaking about skin care and makeup.
- **Pacesetters Square Dancing** lessons started **Thursday, January 15th at 7 p.m.** The First two lessons are free. Lessons will be at Grace Episcopal Church. The contact person is Annabel Milton (864) 972-3170.
- **February 12th, 2026-175th Anniversary Celebration/Bishop Daniel's visit-** Kirri Kinley/Grace Life is planning this upcoming celebration. If you would like to assist in the planning and execution of this celebration, please contact Kirri Kinley kirrikinley@gmail.com, 843-384-5213.

• THE GRACE CODE

Scan or tap to visit:



- New to Grace
- Outreach giving
- Facebook page
- Family Promise

• **Celebrate Grace's 175th** anniversary of being allowed into the Diocese, **Thursday, February 12th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.** Reception following. Bishop Richards will be there, and we will have confirmations, receptions, and reaffirmations as part of the celebration.

• **Ready for a Leap of Faith?** Our next Episcopal Christianity Class meets today **Sunday, January 25th at 9:15 a.m.** in the parish library. It is the last chance to prepare before the Bishop's February 12th visit. This class is for anyone interested in Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation, or to simply study the faith.

• **Annual Parish Soup Luncheon** will be **Thursday, January 29th from 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** for more information contact Jodie Webb at j.webb@nationwide.com

• If you are interested in being **confirmed, reaffirmed, or received** When the Bishop visits in February, please contact Nikki in the office.

• **Lenten study heads up:** our Sunday morning Lenten Study will be **Honest to Goodness** by Furman Buchanan, copies available in parish office for \$7.00. We begin **February 22nd at 9:15 a.m.** in the parish library. It is a daily devotional that looks at interesting, curious and humorous scripture verses.

• **WWW** is asking for YOUR help in our efforts to collect diapers, wipes, and feminine hygiene products support the Anderson County Diaper Bank. Donations may be placed in the cloister. We are grateful to **Louise Knisley** for coordinating collection and delivery on our behalf.

• **Grace's former Organist Choir Master** Will Thomas Cleveland will present an organ recital **Sunday, February 1st at 3 p.m.** at First Baptist Church in Greenwood, SC. All are invited to join.

- **Saints and Sinners Spring Dinner** groups will be starting up soon. This is a GREAT way to get to know your fellow parishioners better. If you are interested, please contact Tanya Pusey at (864) 359-9878 or Debbie Hand at (316) 617-2409. If you participated in the Fall of 2025, your name should already be on the list for the spring dinners.
- **Outreach** will meet **Sunday, February 8th** after 10:30 service.

Stewardship Report

As of 12/31/2025

YTD 2025 Revenue \$424,678

YTD 2025 Expenses \$439,965

YTD 2025 Deficit \$15,287

Expectant Parents

Parker and Caroline Bates

Brent and Kirri Kinley

Donovan and Erin Colman

Sam and Cayce Baker

Vestry Members

Kirri Kinley - 2024-2026

Mike Magaha - 2024-2026

Debbie Hand, Sr. Warden - 2024-2026

Henry Todd - 2025-2026

Jodie Webb, Jr. Warden - 2025-2027

Bill Scott - 2025-2027

Cyndi Dougherty - 2025-2027

Heiko Erlenkauser - 2025-2027

Buddy Bilbrey - 2026-2028

Jamie Ward, Clerk - 2026-2028

JoCarol Titmas - 2026-2028

Tracey Lidlow - 2026-2028

Delegates to the Convention

Janet Rippy

Debbie Hand

Grace Church Endowment

Matthias Kloeck

Lee Hancock

Ken Langford, Treasurer

Carol Miller

Lang Foster

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m.



Van Gogh 1888

FOR THEY WERE FISHERMEN

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

25 January 2026

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Welcome to Grace!

The Liturgy Begins on page 323

The Word of God

The Collect

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The Psalm

Psalm 27: 1, 5-13 (read responsively by half verse)
Dominus illuminatio

1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
**the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?**

5 One thing have I asked of the LORD;
one thing I seek; *
**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my
life;**

6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.

7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *
**he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.**

8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *

I will sing and make music to the LORD.

10 Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.

12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The Holy Gospel

Priest: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.*

People: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Matthew 4:12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the
Gentiles—

the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,

and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned."

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Deacon or Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed - page 326

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The Peace

Brief Announcements (three short bullet points, or preferably in Haiku format) 😊

The Holy Communion

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Those who serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Kirri Kinley

Second Counter: Heiko Erlenkeuser

Lector: Kathe Harris

Intercessor: Annette Guiseppi-Elie

Chalice 1: Kathe Harris

Chalice 2: Annette Guiseppi-Elie

Church Opener: Drew Lavan

Those with birthdays this week

Jan Osburn

Joanie Roberts

John Bradford Jr.

Luke Kent

Baylis Maxwell

Baptismal Newbirth Day

15 February

27 October

04 April

Those with Baptismal Newbirth Days this week

Greg Souther

26 January