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# Grace Notes

\*Welcome

\*Worship

\*Praise

Grace Baptist  
Church

An American Baptist  
Church

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Sunday School  
9:00 a.m.

Worship  
10:15 a.m.

Karen Worship  
2:00 p.m.

"For by grace you have  
been saved through faith,  
and this is not your own  
doing; it is the gift of God."

Ephesians 2:8 NRSV

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## On Cleanliness and Godliness

In about 1778 John Wesley declared in a sermon that "**cleanliness is next to godliness**" and since that proclamation we have adhered to the proverb as if it were divinely inspired and embedded in scripture. Though not in the Bible, **it is a good motto** for raising children, maintaining health, and creating order in society and the church. Yes, there should be "a place for everything and everything in its place."

Since the earliest days of Grace Baptist Church, **our members have served occasionally as custodians** for the church home that God has given us. Beginning about 2013 our members took a week each quarter to do the basic cleaning to maintain the sanitary and safety requirements, as well as the aesthetic and structural needs of our facilities. After six years of having godly volunteers work on the cleanliness of the building, we are proud to announce that **we are in a financial situation strong enough that we can hire a custodian and retire our volunteers.**

**Please accept our sincere thanks to all of those who have cleaned the building in the past.** Those listed for the 2018 rotation include Roger and Sandi McKee, Vangie Webb, Ina May Fakhoury, Bill and Marty Turnage, Lori Hill, Dave and Roxie Jones, Mike and Marylou Reiter, Roy and Joni Davis, Judy Summers, Carolyn Cook and the Karen Congregation that took every other week. Other individuals have filled this role in the past and we are very grateful to those who believed John Wesley by practicing cleanliness and godliness at Grace Baptist Church.

On behalf of the diaconate we welcome **Juliann Hansen as our new custodian** who will be responsible for cleaning the entire square footage of our church home. She has cared for the Day Care facilities for years and has now added the rest of the building to her cleaning list. Juliann also serves on the staff of Kansas City Rescue Mission and assists her husband who works at KCRM and is pastor of Living Stones Fellowship, Parkville, MO. **She knows our building and our people know her** so this match should work well.

In the past 16 months we have installed new carpet, resurfaced the parking lot and now brought in professional staff for custodial services. **Your regular gifts to Grace give us the financial stability to move ahead** and care for the home God has entrusted to us. **Thanks for your faithful giving, and cleaning and godliness.**

Jerry Cain, Pastor

	Current	Missions	Cap. Imp.	Total
<b>Budget</b>	<b>2,433.62</b>	<b>288.46</b>	<b>892.65</b>	<b>3,614.73</b>
<b>10/14/18</b>	<b>2,122.98</b>	<b>258.90</b>	<b>207.12</b>	<b>2,589.00</b>
<b>10/21/18</b>	<b>1,165.22</b>	<b>142.10</b>	<b>113.68</b>	<b>1,421.00</b>

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>				
	S.S.	SUNDAY SERVANTS	WORSHIP	
<b>10/14/18</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>81</b>	English Service
<b>10/21/18</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>85</b>	English Service

<b>Openers/ Closers</b>	<b>October 28</b> <b>Lori Hill</b>	<b>November 4</b> <b>Nancy Ashworth</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>October 28</b> <b>Kenny &amp; Linda Smith</b>	<b>November 4</b> <b>Joe Hunter &amp; Ron Stallard</b>
<b>Worship Hosts</b>	<b>Youth</b> <b>October</b> <b>28 Favour Babatunde</b>	<b>Adult</b> <b>October</b> <b>Mark Grant</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Hour Workers</b>	<b>October</b> <b>28 Judy Summers</b> <b>Maw Rach Taw</b>	<b>November</b> <b>04 Lori Hill/Josslyn Stone</b> <b>11 Marty Turnage/Maxwell Ray</b>

## PRAYER CONCERNS



### HEALTH

Nancy A.  
Austin  
Pat B.  
Bonnie  
Dan B.  
Glenda B.  
Caroline  
Randi C.  
Chris  
Mrs. D.  
Derek  
Kathy D.  
Hans & Gisela G.  
Helen J.  
Landon K.  
Mary  
Imogene M.

Noreen  
Norman  
Terry O.  
Don P.  
Rachel  
Kelly R.  
Mike R.  
Rita's Niece  
Linda S.  
Doug S.  
Gerry S.  
Larry S.  
Mark S.  
Steve  
Tyler  
Vernon  
Fred V.

### OTHER

ABW  
Accompanist  
Babatunde Family  
Florence B.  
Bethel Building Renovations  
Cain Family (Bereavement)  
Christian University in NE India  
Laura C. Family (Bereavement)  
Disasters in the USA  
Family Promise  
Family Minister/Young Adults/Singles/SS  
Grace Baptist Church & Pastor  
Evie H. Family  
Lori H.

Hoitenga Family (Bereavement)  
Law Enforcement  
Leaders of Nation & State  
New Church Members  
Nominating Committee  
Refugees  
School Systems  
Shootings in KCMO & KCKS  
Those Traveling  
Jim V. & Mother (Personal)  
Our Missionaries--Buttry-  
Longkumer-McCurdy-Ngwemi

world  
mission  
offering

## **You are the salt of the earth.**


Matthew 6:13




Salt, as ordinary and plentiful as it is, possesses a very special and unique power when added to foods. Unlike any other seasoning, salt unlocks the subtle flavors, enhancing and bringing new sensations to our taste buds. When our Lord says to his followers, "you are the salt of the earth", he is urging them to go into the whole world and enhance the good that he is doing so others can be touched by the power of the saving grace of God. As followers of Christ, our congregations are the salt of the earth, seasoned with the love of the gospel and called to carry that love to all the earth.

This World Mission Offering season, we are focusing on three Ministry Priorities: Health and Wellness, Abolishing Global Slavery and Economic and Community Development. While this does not include all the ministries of International Ministries, these serve to illustrate some of what God is doing worldwide through our 120 global servants, 900+ volunteers, 43 home staff and 240+ global Christian partners. Your congregation's gifts to the World Mission Offering powerfully connect you to all of the global servants and ministries of the Lord through International Ministries.

Please join me in praying for our global servants and in giving sacrificially and generously to the World Mission Offering as the Lord Jesus leads us to give,

Gratefully, Sharon Koh  
Executive Director/CEO

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 28 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship Noon Karen Youth 2:00p Karen Worship	29	30	24 9:00a Prayer Circle 5:30p Dinner 6:15p Program 7:00p Choir Reh. 31 <b>Halloween</b> 9:00a Prayer Circle 6:30p Choir Reh.	25	26	27  <b>ABW Bible Book</b> 1 Corinthians  <b>Food Pantry</b> Peanut Butter

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 4 Communion <b>TIME CHANGE</b> 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship Noon Karen Youth 2:00p Karen Worship 	5 Noon Grace Notes Deadline 1p Day Care Bd.	<b>FOOD PANTRY</b> Rice  <b>VOTE</b>	<b>ABW BIBLE BOOK</b> II Corinthians	1 Secretary Vac.	2 CWU 9:30a Registration Church of Christ of Latter Day Saints	3 9:00a-1:00p Soup Sack & Bake Sale
11 <b>Veteran's Day</b> 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship/ Christmas Child Dedication Noon Karen Youth 2:00p Karen Worship 	12 7p Worship Committee	13 7p Priscilla	14 9:00a Prayer Circle 6:30p Choir Reh.	15 Noon Day Care Thanksgiving Luncheon 	16	17
18 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship Noon Karen Youth 2:00p Karen Worship	19 Noon Grace Notes Deadline	20 Secretary Vac.	21 9:00a Prayer Circle <b>NO EVENING MEETINGS</b>	22 <b>Thanksgiving</b> Offices & Day Care Closed	23 Secretary Off	24
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**BIRTHDAYS**

3 Ed Lusk  
8 Jerry Cain  
10 Don Pyle  
12 William Jensen  
12 Eh Tee Ta  
17 Rainbow Htoo  
17 Paw Khee Lar  
18 Sandi McKee  
20 Kaw Htoo  
20 Ah Kee  
26 Lori Hill  
26 Emily Welcome

**Best Wishes!**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

2 Ron & Caroline Stallard  
24 William Jensen & Garmai Wilson  
28 Roy & Joni Davis

  
During the month of November we will be collecting shampoo for the Northland Christmas Store. Last year we collected 100+ bottles of shampoo. This year we hope to collect 150!  
Please place your items in the container in the Narthex.  
Thanks for your generosity!  


**CONGRATULATIONS**  
to **Mark O'Dell** on his wonderful new job opportunity as City Manager in Scott City, MO.  
We will greatly miss the O'Dell family in our Grace Baptist Church congregation, but certainly pray God's blessing on this new adventure in their lives.  
**Best Wishes O'Dell Family!**  


## WHAT IS HAPPENING IN COSTA RICA?

A lot is happening! We have started hosting the pastors and their family at our house once a month for a time of relaxed communion with each other.

A pastor was recently appointed to one of the mission churches that has been without a pastor for almost a year.

The Federation office building is getting a government demanded remodel. It is about halfway through the major renovations.

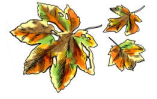
We are working with the Baptist Seminary to hopefully reopen the seminary in February 2019 to offer certificate courses (similar to a lay leadership program).

Stan Slade, International Ministries' Global Servant, will come and minister with us to the pastors and lay leaders this mid-October. He will be doing multiple teachings in multiple locations on leadership. The pastors are very excited for him to come and share with them, as well as learn from him.

At the end of the month, John Grisham from the Great Rivers Region, will be leading a short-term discovery team to Costa Rica. And the kids are excited to be halfway through their last trimester of the 2018 school year!

Love in Christ, Sarah and Peter McCurdy

American Baptist Women's Ministries



### Fall Fundraiser Soup & Bake Sale

Grace Baptist Church  
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Saturday, November 3, 2018  
9am – 1 pm

Proceeds go to support ABWM mission projects throughout the year

Soup Sacks include:  
1 quart soup, 1 loaf homemade bread and 2 mini desserts \$10.00

Bake Sale includes:  
Pies, cookies, brownies, candy, breads, canned goods

### Rendering to Caesar and to God

As we approach a major election in this divided political season, I wish to offer three pastoral guidelines for voting wisely on November 6.

1. **Do not be captured by fear.** Many candidates will try to get your attention by creating fear about Social Security, immigrants, the environment, the Supreme Court or any other issue of the day. Ask, "Why is this candidate creating fear over \_\_\_\_\_?"
2. **Do not be captured by falsehoods.** The first casualty of any war is truth and we know the war began many months ago. Recognize super-inflated statistics and hyperbolic statements and define them as lies--for such they are. Ask, "Why is this candidate lying to me?"
3. **Do not be captured by Political Action Committees.** PACs exist not for our welfare nor for the welfare of our nation but solely to win elections. They are not responsible to political candidates, nor political parties, nor to the public and thus are free to say anything about anybody or any issue whether it is true or not. Declare, "I will ignore all ads paid for by PACs."

This summary is from 72 years of experience of Jerry Cain and that is why I approve this message.

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