

SPIRIT OF GRACE

Nov. 12, 2020



What a great day this past Sunday was! The missionaries were a great blessing as well as a great challenge for all of us to be on mission with Jesus. And then that afternoon we had a wonderful time of fellowship in the park. It was good to see some that we have not seen in a while. Just being together was such a blessing.

As if that wasn't enough, it was so exciting to have people back in person for Wednesday night activities for all age groups, choir and orchestra, and the added bonus of those award winning spaghetti and meatballs. Slowly but surely things are starting to come back.

Advent is quickly approaching and some of our ladies have put together a family advent devotion and activity book with devotions, family activities, and yummy recipes from our past cookbooks we made. There will be a hard copy form and a special Facebook page. We will have hard copies of the book available on Sunday the 22nd. We can also deliver one to you. Next week, we will post the Facebook page information so you can use the online version plus you can even add your own advent items to the page. So Cool!

Living Nativity on December 18 & 19 from 6-9pm. We need your help as we reach out to the community with the story of the greatest gift ever given. There will be a kids Christmas craft and refreshments for the families. We need help with the craft, refreshments, and mingling with the guests making connections, and most importantly, prayer! Pray for good weather, good turn out, and that seeds will be planted and that some will be saved.

A special thanks to all of the men and women who have served in our military to help keep us and the world safe. Your bravery and commitment to America's freedom is so appreciated. God bless you all.

Have a blessed week! Bro. Jerry

MEN OF GOD BBQ

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 6-7 PM



Meat of the month, 2 sides, dessert and drink—\$5. *Bring your favorite outdoor chair and more importantly bring a friend! **Cut-off date to sign-up is Wed., November 18!**



Happy Veterans Day

Wednesday, November 11

Thank you, Veterans

Wednesday Night Worship-In Person

5:45pm—Dinner

6:30pm—Adult Bible Study

Children's Missions

Youth Bible Study (7pm Zoom)

Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal



Operation Christmas Child boxes are available, and due back on **Sunday, Nov. 22nd!**



The best way to give the \$9 donation for shipping the box is to give online (samaritanspurse.org/occ), or mail it in the envelope they have provided. Thanks!

ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS (for children whose parents are incarcerated) **Names will be available on Sunday, Nov. 29.** It is very important that when you pick a name off the tree, you **sign the notebook.** There will be needs and interests listed on the "angel" as well as sizes.

Join us for the special services and events at Grace Memorial as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Each Advent Sunday morning we will celebrate the promise of Christ's birth and His return.

- **Sunday, November 22, 4pm, FH**—Ladies Advent Wreath Making, **CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE TO SIGN UP!**
- **Monday, November 23, 10am, WC**—Decorating the church for Christmas
- **Sunday, November 29**—First Sunday of Advent; Lottie Moon Christmas Offering Week of Prayer
- **Wednesday, December 9, 6:30pm**—Children's Christmas Party
- **Wednesday, December 16, 6:30pm**—Youth Christmas Party
- **Friday December 18 & Saturday December 19, 6-9pm**—Living Nativity
- **Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24, 4-5pm & 6-7pm, WC**—Christmas Eve Candlelight Services, **CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE TO SIGN UP!**
- **Christmas Eve & Christmas Day**—Church Office closed. Merry Christmas!



Nursery Ministry Needs You!

Our GMBC nursery ministry is still in need of 5 more volunteers to complete our 16 member team. Could you be one of our missing team members? Sign up on your tear-off to help care for the youngest members of our church family on a once-every-two-months rotation!

*"Children are a gift from the Lord."
Psalm 127:3a*

GROW Outreach Sunday,
5pm—6pm, in the church office.
Help us call to pray for the sick,
and check on families!



It's a BOY!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER
WELCOMING

Clayton Russell Carruth
Sunday, December 6th at 1:00pm

Mary Jane's Home
105 Kingston Dr.
Slidell, LA

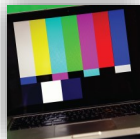
Registered at
babylist.com—Kacie Carruth



Opportunities to serve!

If you are interested in serving on our media team, please contact the church office.

Training provided! We need volunteers to run the projection and the sound board during Sunday worship. Join us!



WORSHIP TIMES

In Person: **Sunday Worship- 10:30am**
Website: **www.discovergrace.us**
Facebook: **Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Slidell, LA**
Twitter: **@GraceSlidell**
YouTube: **Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Slidell, LA**

Prayer Room Ministry

The prayer room has been updated and is ready for some prayer warriors to utilize it.

We have COVID safety precautions in place.

If you would like to be part of this powerful ministry, please contact the church office.



YOUTH FRIENDSGIVING

Saturday, November 21, FH, 6-7pm



Saturday Night Live

Join us every Saturday from
6-8pm in the FH, for a safe place to hang with friends and play games. Invite your friends and bring money for snacks. See you there!

Youth Text Service

If you are a student, a parent of a student, or a youth Sunday School teacher, stay up to date with our new text messaging service. To join, text @gmbcst to 810-10.



Stewardship



November 8, 2020:

Budget Receipts	\$	14,246.00
Missions		195.00
Lottie Moon		32.00
Georgia Barnette		50.00
Building Fund		95.00
Other Designated		785.74
Total		15,403.74

YEAR-TO-DATE

Budget Needs	\$	822,105.00
Budget Receipts		682,555.19
All Missions		13,326.00
Total Other Designated		46,420.15
Total Deposits	\$	742,301.34
GVOM Balance	\$	931,392.71

3 Ways to Give Tithes and Offerings:

In person, mail, or online at
www.discovergrace.us

November 8, 2020 Attendance

Worship: *In Person*-153, *Online*– 180
Sunday School: 212

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