

# Grace Weekly Email Update

April 15, 2026

## Message from Pastor Jeff



Summer will soon be here and many of you will be heading to the lake and various adventures on the weekend. Remember that Sunday morning is not our only opportunity to worship together. We have worship every Monday night at 6pm. It's good stuff. (Monday night worship peoples: Our next Monday night meal after worship is going to be April 27.)

We have seven men going to the For King and Kingdom retreat this weekend: Rocky Burriss, Christopher Birdsong, Gregg Mickey, Scott Synoground, Brandon Morrison, Johnnie Grizzle, and Rick Edgerton. Keep these men in your prayers as they experience a powerful weekend focused on being the men God has called them to be.

It was great to go to the CASA fundraiser Tuesday night and to see the place filled with Grace people. The beauty of what God is doing at Grace is that it doesn't stay in the building but sends out blessings to every facet of our community. CASA is currently in need of volunteers and if you are interested, [Michelle Thomas](#) would love to speak with you!

I look forward to worshipping with you this weekend as we finish up James!

Jeff

## WORSHIP SERVICE — April 19 & 20

### Traditional (8:30am Sunday)

Hymns: The Shouting Hymn; When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder

### Modern (9:30 & 11:00am Sunday, 6pm Monday)

Songs: House of the Lord; Closer; He Who Is to Come; Evidence

Live Stream @ 10am Sunday: [Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#)

Past Sermons/Materials: Click [HERE](#).

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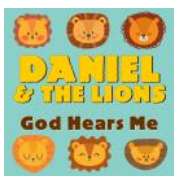
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*Grace Community Church exists for the glory of God,  
to make visible the kingdom of God, and  
to declare the grace of God to all the world.*

# KIDS MINISTRY

Jr. Kids: Infants—PreK Contact: [Christine Turpin](#)

Kids Church K-5th Grade Contact: [Sarah Reykers](#)



## Jr. Kids Theme: Daniel & The Lions

Daniel lived much of his life in a foreign land, Babylon. Despite the struggles, God helped Daniel and his friends, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abenego, every step of the way. We can trust God to help us in all things too.

Memory Verse: "My help comes from the Lord." - Psalm 121:2a



## Kids Church K-5th Grade: Simply Loved—Where Kids Experience God's Greatest Gift



## VBS — Coming Up Soon—June 7-10

### Need Volunteers + Towels

What A Mess VBS is underway! Sign up [HERE](#) to volunteer. Have questions? Text (479-414-2071) or email [Sarah!](#) **Also, looking for**

**donations of old towels.**

## DASH & FM

(6-8th grades) & (9-12th grades)

Contact [Dana](#) For DASH and FM

Dash/FM Page on Grace Website—Click [HERE](#)



## Join Us on Wednesday Evenings 6-7:30pm

During the school year, DASH and FM meet routinely every Wednesday from 6-7:30pm. We have dinner, games, worship, biblical lessons, and small groups. Small groups are split by grade level and male/female.



## Senior Sunday

April 26, 11:00 Service

Luncheon for Students and Their Families to Follow

Check out full details and to sign up for the lunch by clicking [HERE](#).

## TRAIL LIFE USA (K-12<sup>th</sup> grade boys)

Contact [JD](#) for Trail Life.

Troop 316, First 3 Mondays

6:15-7:30pm, StuMin



Trail Life USA is a Church-Based, Christ-Centered, Boy-Focused mentoring and discipleship ministry that speaks to the heart of a boy. Set in the context of outdoor adventure, boys are engaged in a Troop setting by male mentors where they are challenged to grow in character, understand their purpose, serve their community, and develop practical leadership skills to carry out the mission for which they were created.

# CONNECT

Contact [JD Cunny](#) for any questions.

**BIBLE STUDIES:** Full details & sign-ups click [HERE](#).



**The Journey from Easter to Pentecost**  
**Wednesdays, April 8-May 20, 6-7pm (7wks)**  
**Ezra Room-Kids Church; Co-Ed Bible Study**  
Facilitator: JD Cunny & Terry Gallamore

This group has already started, but feel free to join us for a class at any time. We move from resurrection hope to Spirit-empowered living. Click [HERE](#) to sign up.



**New Connections Class**  
**Sundays, 11am-12noon, Starts May 3 (6 wks)**  
**Church Office; Facilitator: Staci Moore**

Our New Connections Class is a welcoming space to connect with others, learn more about our church, and a chance dive deeper into what we believe. Whether you're new to Grace or just want a deeper understanding of our mission, this class is the perfect place to start! Click [HERE](#) to sign up!



**Lunch for Widows & Widowers**  
**Thursday, May 14, 12noon-1p, Activity Center**

Join other widows and widowers for lunch on Thursday, May 14, for a discussion on "What Now? Considerations after Widowhood." Whether you became a widow or widower months ago or many years ago, this discussion will help you think through some important legal and personal things that everyone needs to consider. It will also be a great time to meet other people at Grace. Lunch is free but we ask that you sign up so that we have space and food for all. Sign up [HERE](#).

Click [HERE](#) for details of **ON-GOING GROUPS**

- Upper Room (Women)
- By Hook, Needle & Craft (Women and Men)
- Men's Fellowship Lunch (Men)

## EVENTS



**Men's 3rd Annual Buffalo River Float Trip**  
**Wednesday-Saturday, April 22-25**  
**Steel Creek Campground, Ponca, AR**  
Details [HERE](#).



**Garden Party**  
**Saturday, May 9, 10:00 AM-11:30 AM**  
Details and to sign-Up [HERE](#)! Contact [Abbie](#) [Tedford](#) with any questions!



**Selah Weekend-Church Wide FAMILY Retreat**  
**October 2-4, 2026 (Fri—Sun)**

**Ozark Natural Science Center, Huntsville, AR**  
Selah is a church-wide retreat designed for every age! Join us for a full weekend of activities focused on rest, relaxation, and renewal. Check out full details and to sign up, click [HERE](#).

# SERVE

Contact [Michelle Thomas](#) for more information on local mission efforts.  
Contact [Kathleen Halliburton](#) for more information on mission efforts outside of our community.

## Grace Community Church Adopt A Highway Saturday, April 25, 8:00am



Do you recognize this 1-mile stretch of Hwy 71 when you come to church? Have you paid attention to the medians? Do you see debris? Let us maintain our posted commitment to adopt this area of the roadway as stewards of God's creation.



The more helping hands we have, the quicker the clean up will go! Let's break records—number of volunteers and less than 1.5 hours!

Questions? Contact [Michelle Thomas](#)

All of the congregation are welcome, but children need to be over 11 years of age and accompanied by an adult.



## Blood Drive Sunday, May 31, 8a-12p Student Ministry Building

"Love your neighbor as yourself" takes many forms and this is a simple way to live it out. Join us for our church blood drive and help bring hope and healing to those in need. Our community is in desperate need for blood and we want to do our part! If you have any question please contact [Michelle Thomas](#). Click [HERE](#) to sign up for a time slot.



## Eight Days of Hope Buffalo, NY Outreach July 18-25, 2026

Sign-Up Deadline: May 15

Click [HERE](#) for full details and to sign up.

## MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

Contact [Rick](#) for more information.

### Mental Health Ministry



Are you concerned about your personal mental health or that of a family member? Do you struggle with knowing who you can talk to? Do you carry the common concern that others cannot know? Perhaps you are ready to discuss it, but are just not sure what the next right step is? Talk to our mental health team! The form is confidential.

Scan this QR code or go to [growh.com/mental-health](https://www.growh.com/mental-health)

Once the form is received, the director will contact you to set up a confidential meeting to further understand your needs and assist in the options for your potential next steps.

[Meet Our Team](#)  
[Mental Health Resources](#)  
[Mental Health Page](#)

# PRAYER

If you have prayer needs, please submit request [HERE](#).

## Community & World

Unsaved  
United States  
Countries in Turmoil  
All Military  
Foster and Adoptive Parents  
Victims of Violence  
Weather Disaster Victims  
Eight Days of Hope Ministry  
Those who are sick  
Those struggling w/mental illness & addictions  
Those struggling with grief  
Christians in Nigeria

## Grace Families

Mary Carter  
Reagan, Dyllan and Daisy Newell!

## Grace Friends

Melba Lindsey (Bonnie Jones' sister)  
Father addicted to alcohol

## Sympathies

Jessica Michaels and family (death of her grandfather)  
Chip and Dana Davis (death of Chip's father)

## Pray for our Men Attending 4KK Spring Retreat:

Rocky Burriss  
Christopher Birdsong  
Gregg Mickey  
Scott Synoground  
Brandon Morrison  
Johnnie Grizzle  
Rick Edgerton

