**News From Grace** 

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# Connecting Through Small Groups

A Small Group is a place for:

- · sharing life and building relationships
- · growing our faith
- · learning what the Bible says about living today
- · serving, caring and reaching out.

Small groups are continuing to connect virtually via videoconferencing apps like Zoom where they pray for each other and learn how God can speak to us through His word in a time like this. For more info or to connect with a group, click <a href="here">here</a> or email Pastor Kirk at <a href="here">khorton@gracehome.org</a>



# Join us for Online Worship and Communion on Maundy-Thursday

On Thursday, April 9 we will live stream our Maundy Thursday service at 7:30PM via Grace's Facebook page (GraceBaptistVA or click here for the link to the page). Pastor Tim and Zack will lead us through scripture, guided prayer, and song as we observe the Last Supper of Jesus and his disciples.



# Pastor Tim Interviewed for Local Paper

Pastor Tim was interviewed for an article on InsideNova about local pastors staying connected with their congregations during this

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"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ"

- 2 Pet 3:18





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season. Click here for the link to this article.



## **Service Opportunities**

Helping Hands of Grace is still serving meals to our homeless guests but instead of serving them on the GBC campus, we are taking meals to the shelter. There are several opportunities to serve over the next few months. Click <a href="mailto:here">here</a> for the sign-up genius. Email Kevin DeWitt at helpinghandsgracebaptist@gmail.com, if you have specific questions about serving with Helping Hands of Grace.

As you probably have heard, **there is a critical need for people to donate blood**. This is one way that we can serve. You can find out more info on how and where **here**.

Need Help or Able to Help? Dan Pophin is leading a team of people who have volunteered to help those who may need extra help and support at this time to get food, prescriptions, and other necessities and to avoid going out in public. If you are willing to help others in this way, contact the church or Dan Pophin at <a href="mailto:danpophin@msn.com">danpophin@msn.com</a> or 703-408-9495. Also, if you need assistance in this way, please contact the church office at 703-670-5032 or call Dan to see how his team may be able to help.



# Ministry in this New Season - Nancy Turner

As we are in this new season where we cannot gather as a body, God keeps leading me to pray this scripture found in 2 Chronicles 7:14-15 (ESV)

if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place.

When I have felt fearful or scared, that scripture has rushed into my head and I have prayed and sought God's face.

Without all of the Children's Ministry activities on campus – Sunday School, AWANA, Wednesday night activities, Holy Week activities, Easter breakfast and paid childcare to take care of, I have been challenged to write and provide online lessons for preschoolers and elementary kids and their families. I also plan to for some of our Sunday school teachers to assist online with some lessons as well. I am excited to see how God is going to work in our lives and how we will grow during this season.

In an effort to connect us all in one place, I have created a NEW Facebook page for GBC Kids and Families. This is a closed group that will help families (with fifth graders and younger children) to connect, share and celebrate each other.

I want to connect with you and although we can't meet in person, we can still see each other using many NEW ways such as the Marco Polo App, Facebook Messenger Video chat, Google Hangouts or Zoom! You can also email me at <a href="mailto:nturner@gracehome.org">nturner@gracehome.org</a>, and call/text. I am here for you and your family as we navigate our new but temporary "normal".

Blessings, Ms. Nancy



### Precept Upon Precept - Online

Precept Upon Precept will begin a 7-week course on Galatians on Wednesday, April 1 from 6:45PM - 8:30PM. That night, I will do a small introduction on how to do the Bible study. On Thursday, April 2, 9:45 AM - 11:45AM, we will start with Lesson 1. The cost is \$10.75 for Precept Upon Precept and \$7.25 for In & Out. For the foreseeable future, the class will be **online.** For more information on the Precept Study, In & Out or to sign up, email Jenni Runner at jenni.precept@gmail.com.



## Giving Without the Offering Plate

Please continue to support our church with your gifts and offerings. We continue to have obligations like our building loan, salaries, and utilities and expect to see increasing needs for things like benevolence. If you normally give in person, please consider one of the giving options (mail, bill pay, or online) described on this page of our website click <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. You can continue to give in the following ways

**Credit, Debit, or Bank Account -** You can click <a href="here">here</a> (make this a link to PushPay) to give a one time or recurring donation:

Smartphone Application - Text "gracebc" to 77977 to download the App for giving on your smartphone Note: When you send "gracebc" to 77977 you will receive a one-time reply containing a link to give to Grace Baptist Church (1msg/request). Please be aware that Msg Data rates may apply. For full Terms Conditions please visit <a href="https://pushpay.com/terms">https://pushpay.com/terms</a>. For the Privacy Policy please visit <a href="https://pushpay.com/privacy">https://pushpay.com/privacy</a>. For help reply HELP or STOP to cancel.)

**Check** - You can mail your check to Grace Baptist Church, 14242 Spriggs Road, Woodbridge VA, 22193

**Bill Pay** - An option available for anyone whose financial institution offers online bill payment options. Just follow the directions for your bank or credit union to create Grace Baptist Church as a Payee at 14242 Spriggs Road, Woodbridge, VA, 22193 and choose to make a weekly, monthly, or one-time contribution. Please ensure that you designate the use of funds (click <a href="here">here</a> to see the FAQ sheet for more info on designated funds) in the Memo Line.

Please contact our Financial Secretary for instructions or questions at 703-670-5032

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 ESV

#### Weekly Income for March 28/29

Budget \$ 36,324 Checks/Cash \$ 9,515 Electronic \$ 12,763 Total \$ 22,278



## Prayer, Gratitudes and Praises

The apostle encouraged us in Philippians to: "not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." We will continue to have a regular time of prayer for the needs of the body. Instead of filling our a connect card at weekend services, please click here to submit prayer and praise requests,



## Online Worship Updates and Instructions

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our online worship and training. *It is good to go into the house of the Lord* (Psalm 100) and almost as good to go into a virtual house. Below is a list of our current Worship and Training Opportunities:

#### Sunday

9AM – Preschool Story Time with Ms. Nancy (<u>Facebook Live</u>)
10AM – Worship Service with Pastor Tim and
Zack (<u>Facebook Live</u>, <u>YouTube Live</u>, <u>Grace Website</u>)

#### Wednesday

5 PM – Student Training with Pastor Nolan (Instagram @NolanRumble or on Facebook on the Grace Student Page)

Here are some general guidelines to access these platforms (please note that upload times, refresh times and streaming can vary depending on your cell phone carrier, brand or laptop/desktop).

**Facebook** – Search for GraceBaptistVA or Grace Baptist Church – Woodbridge, Virginia, Like Our Page, and then Follow Us. Click on the Following Tab and use the dropdown menu to see our posts first and turn on notifications which will tell you when Grace is live. You can also click <a href="here">here</a> to go to our Facebook page.

YouTube – Go to youtube.com and search for Grace Baptist Church –Woodbridge, VA. This should take you to our YouTube channel. Click on our channel and then click the subscribe button. To get notified when Grace is live, click the bell and choose all. You will then get notified whenever Grace is online and can go straight to the feed. You can also click <a href="here">here</a> to go to our YouTube channel.

\*Please note that if we are scheduled to go live and you are on the platform and do not immediately see the feed you may need to refresh your screen (scroll to the top of the page and swipe down).

### Connect

### How to Stay in Touch

Grace has many ways of communicating with you:

- GBC Website (gracehome.org) Audio/Video Sermon Links, Coronavirus page info (Coronavirus updates are available at gracehome.org/coronavirus), God is on His Throne Devotion Blog
- Grace Facebook Page Grace Baptist Church Woodbridge, Virginia or GraceBaptistVA
- Grace Baptist Church Instagram GraceBaptistVA –
   We are currently posting a photo each day for Pastor
   Tim's God is on His Throne devotional.
- Email sign up for our News From Grace email to get the weekly newsletter, daily devotion from Pastor Tim or to be notified of any updates. Click here to sign up.
- Phone Currently the office is open from 8AM 4PM,
   M-F for phone calls. After hours we have a recording that will be updated if there is an update to our campus or office closures.

## Ms. Nancy's Children's

### **Ministries Activities Online**

#### Sunday

9AM - Preschool Family Story Time with Ms. Nancy (Grace Baptist Church Facebook Live)

#### Tuesday

12PM - Stories, Crafts and other ideas for Elementary kids (Posted on NEW GBC Kids and Families Facebook Page)

#### **Friday**

10AM - Elementary Bible Lesson with Ms. Nancy (Grace Baptist Church Facebook Live)

The **NEW GBC Kids and Families Facebook Group** — If you don't have a Facebook account currently, you can open an account for this digital season until we are back to normal activities. This is a closed group for GBC Children's Ministry Families to CONNECT with each other, to CELEBRATE how God is working in your home, to ASK for prayer, and to SHARE needs. We are growing and going!

#### **Connect with Miss Nancy**

Video Chat: I am using ZOOM, Google Hangouts, and Facebook Messenger! I love to see you and your children's faces. So connect with me!

Email me at <a href="mailto:nturner@gracehome.org">nturner@gracehome.org</a>

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