



GRACE

METHODIST

SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS

COME AND SEE

April 17, 2026

DIAPER DRIVE FOR ALL THE GRACE BABIES

What a great way to show some EXTRAVAGANT LOVE by hosting a DIAPER AND BABY WIPE DRIVE!!!

We have had SIX Grace babies in the last 2 months and guess what??? THERE ARE MORE TO COME!!!

If you are able and willing, we think it would be a great gift for us to hold a diaper and baby wipe drive for all these families. We will collect diapers and baby wipes in the lobby for the next 3 Sundays and then divide among the families.



SPRING CLEANING TO BENEFIT SAFE-T



SAFE-T

Are you in the middle of spring cleaning and have a truckload of stuff that you don't know what to do with???

The Go and Serve Team is partnering with SAFE-T who helps displaced women and families who are victims of domestic violence and sexual assault by collecting items for their Thrift Store.

SAFE-T Crisis Center is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that opened in 1994 to serve victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault here in East Texas. Now SAFE-T covers 9 counties, including Hopkins, with 4 offices, one shelter, and a Thrift Store.

Start packing up your gently used household items and clothes.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING TO MURRAY ORWOSKY UNTIL WE SCHEDULE A TIME!!!

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER FOCUS

Join the Grace Prayer Band as we unite in daily prayer and a shared weekly focus. Wherever you may be, take time each day to pray for the weekly Prayer Focus, and especially pause each Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. to pray together as one body. Set an alarm if that helps, and dedicate this moment to center your heart and mind on God. If you are able, please also consider fasting in some form on Wednesdays.

This week, our Prayer Focus is to PRAY

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.

You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29:12-13

BUILDING UPDATE

Grace Family,

What exciting news for the Building Grace Project! This past Tuesday, our Simplified Board unanimously approved the revised plans and budget and handed them back to the Building Team to begin the process. Here are some new concept drawings of what the revised Phase 1 and Master Plan of the church will look like.

Phase 1 Rendering



As a reminder, the main reason for these revisions was our continued growth in attendance. With the original design, we were likely going to be too small from day one in our Phase 1 worship space. As we began the redesign and changed one thing, it created a domino effect that led to additional changes and new ideas about how to make Phase 1 look more like what we had originally envisioned. And so, here we are — and here we go!

We increased the square footage by about 10%, and the budget increased accordingly by about 10% as well. But

God has continued to bless Grace in so many ways, putting us in a position to make all of that happen.

I know there are probably a lot of questions, and we want to be available to answer any of them. So, we will have a time after worship THIS Sunday, April 12th, to dig into the details if you would like to join us.

The biggest question — which I will try to answer for you here — is: When does the building start? When do we see site work begin?

Well, the way they determine that date is by first getting all the engineering and detailed drawings from the architects, since up to now everything has only been conceptual. Once those are complete, they will order the steel framing. When they know the steel delivery date, they then back it up by 6–8 weeks to determine when to begin site work.

They do this so that the site work doesn't finish and then sit dormant for weeks while waiting on the steel. Rather, once they start, they want to keep rolling until completion. So, it is all about timing.

Based on how long the architects believe they will need to complete the detailed drawings and then order the steel, it looks like site work could begin in mid-August. I know we all wish that could happen sooner, but I'd ask that you remember Bob Cody's legacy video we watched this past Sunday: "We can worship anywhere... we can worship under a tree as long as we are gathering as believers in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior."

God has been so good to us during this season of waiting, and I'm excited to see what else He does before we actually move into a church building of our own. So, plan to join us this Sunday morning during and after worship for more questions and answers.

But we are excited to say the ball is now rolling once again.

Praise be to God.

JASON DIETZE

Executive Minister

Grace Methodist Church

Phase 2 Rendering



Grace Methodist Church Spring 2026

ALL ORDERS DUE BY: 5-1-26

STORE WILL CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT ON DATE ABOVE.



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YOUR
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YOUR
SMARTPHONE
TO SHOP!

Or visit our website at parisprintworks.com/blogs/fundraisers

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SULPHUR SPRINGS WORK CAMP

Sulphur Springs Work Camp is scheduled for June 1 - 4 and our church is joining in the fun. For those who aren't familiar, Work Camp is a whole community effort where our local youth get together and paint houses of people who need the extra help. These youth share the Gospel and show the love of the Lord through this mission ministry.

There are many ways to help. As the date gets closer, please bring any ladders that you would be willing to let them borrow. Also, pray for these kids. Pray for the homeowners. Pray for good weather and safety. And pray that this mission will transform lives.

Grace will be in charge of "FEEDING THE WORK CAMP" on Wednesday, June 3. It is a great time of fellowship and service as we get together and feed those hungry workers!!! More details will be coming about how you can help when we have more details of how many we are feeding. It is always a fun and memorable night!!!

COMMUNION MINISTRY - NURSING HOMES



Grace has heard and seen a need for serving Communion in some of the local nursing homes. We need committed servers who would be willing to do this once a month or maybe once a quarter so these people will have a way to receive communion.

If you would like to participate in this ministry, please contact Tammy Dougan at 903-440-0557.

LOST AND FOUND



Does this journal look familiar??? If it is yours, we will have it at the right side Check in Station this Sunday.

SUNDAY MORNING CHECK IN



Don't forget to "check in" every Sunday morning. It's very easy. Just enter your phone number on the computer tablet when you pick up your worship bulletin.

Your checking in helps us keep accurate attendance records and more importantly it lets us know who is missing and might need prayers or pastoral care.

If you have any questions, any of the greeters or ushers will be glad to help.

MEMORIALS

Given in Loving Memory of Bob Cody by:

Rob and Shanon Sherman

THE NEW GRACE WEBSITE

Check out the “New Improved” Grace Website.

SSGMC.ORG

More info, more pics, More about GRACE!!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF GRACE

April 19 - Kim Anderson, Dylan Bergman, Jackson Clark
and Shannon McCorkle

April 20 - Brooke Dougan, John Hipkins, Odette Nash and
Lee Yoder

April 21 - Linda Bennett

April 22 - Jack Lantz

April 25 - Hattie Thompson

*If we don't have your birthday information, please send it to info@ssgmc.org or
fill out the card on your bulletin and place in the offering plate.*

**SAVE
THE
DATE!!!
VBS 2026**



THE MISSION STATEMENT OF GRACE METHODIST CHURCH

*The Global Methodist Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ and
spread scriptural holiness across the globe.*

DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL 20 - GRACEFUL GREETINGS at the Book Nook on Main - 10:00am

APRIL 21 - SEW MUCH GRACE - Shooks Chapel 10:00am

JUNE 1-4 - SULPHUR SPRINGS WORK CAMP

JUNE 3 - GRACE FEEDS WORK CAMP - at the ROC at 5:30

JULY 12 - 16 - GRACE VBS - Rainforest Falls - 5:00 - 8:00pm

SEW MUCH GRACE

Sew Much Grace is a ministry of both women and men who use their talents to serve the needs of our community and church. You don't need to be an expert seamstress to get involved; people of all skill levels are welcome to contribute. If you feel this is a place you'd like to be part of, you will be blessed!

**APRIL 21, 2026
10:00AM**

If you're interested in joining or have any questions, please reach out to

DEE BANDEL AT 903-739-3245.

GRACEFUL GREETINGS - GREETING CARD MINISTRY

The Graceful Greetings is a ministry of handmade greeting cards to be sent to those who are ill, grieving, alone, shut-in, celebrating a birthday or special event, or recovering from an illness or surgery. Just a way to let them know they are being thought about, prayed for, and that they matter.

All materials are provided, and those new to crafting or card making will be shown step by step procedures to create the cards. There is no fee. Since most businesses are closed on Mondays, you will have plenty of places to park in front of the Book Nook.

What a great opportunity and ministry. Everyone is invited and is guaranteed to have a great time!!!

**NEXT DATE IS APRIL 20, 2026
AT THE BOOK NOOK ON MAIN AT 10:00AM**

For more information or questions, contact

SHARON FELDT AT 832-687-6617

THE VISION STATEMENT OF GRACE METHODIST

Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, the Global Methodist Church envisions multiplying disciples of Jesus Christ throughout the earth who flourish in scriptural holiness as we worship passionately, love extravagantly and witness boldly.

ATTENDANCE IN WORSHIP

What a joy it is each Sunday to see old and new faces joining us at Grace for worship. We have been asked to include our Sunday Attendance in the Come and See Newsletter. Here are the most recent attendance numbers.

March 29 - 230
April 5 - 303 - Easter
April 12 - 141

GRACE ON WEDNESDAYS

Text of the Week
Pastor's
**NO TEXT OF THE WEEK
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**
Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00
GSC Corporate Office
130 Hillcrest

YOUTH REFUGE
Every Wednesday
food, fun fellowship and study.

**GROCERY SUPPLY
TRAINING ROOM**

1301 Main Street

6:00 TO 7:30pm

**CHILDREN'S
ACTIVITIES
WEDNESDAYS**

5:45 - 7:00pm Shooks Chapel
31 CR 1104

Contact Mara for more information
972-974-3406

**PARENT / YOUNG ADULT
CLASS
EVERY WEDNESDAY**

At the home of Sharon Feldt
118 Briarwood

5:45 - 7:00pm Contact Jason Dietze
for more information
903-439-5764

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"We believe God planted Grace Methodist to nurture generational and intergenerational relationships, to be formed by God's Word, to hear the call of God upon our lives and be led by the Holy Spirit to respond as disciples of Jesus Christ, and to experience and live out scriptural holiness - loving God and loving our neighbors."