



# GRACE

## METHODIST

SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS

# COME AND SEE

May 15, 2026

## WE WILL MISS YOU SPENCER



It is with much sadness that we announce that Spencer Emmert will be leaving Sulphur Springs ISD and Grace and will be moving to a new position at Barbers Hill ISD. After a very successful career at Sulphur Springs, Spencer has accepted the position of Director of Fine Arts and Head Band Director.

We will all certainly miss him and his family as they accept this opportunity.

Spencer has not only been a successful Band Director, he has also answered God's call through using his talents and gifts for music ministry. We are thankful for the more than 3 years that he has served Grace and for the many years he served in previous churches to lead meaningful worship. Spencer will be missed, but we are all excited for this new opportunity for him and his

family and wish them the very best in this move.

Mark your calendars for June 14 as we will be hosting a farewell reception for Spencer and his Family.

## SPRING CLEANING TO BENEFIT SAFE-T



### SAFE-T

The Go and Serve Team is partnering with SAFE-T Crisis Center to collect donations for their Thrift Store, which directly supports displaced women and families who are victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Are you in the middle of spring cleaning and wondering what to do with all those extra items filling your closets, cabinets, and garage? Maybe you have gently used household goods, children's items, toys, or clothes of all sizes that are still in great condition and could be a blessing to someone else.

SAFE-T Crisis Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that opened in 1994 to serve victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault throughout East Texas. Today, SAFE-T serves 9 counties, including Hopkins County, through 4 offices, one shelter, and their Thrift Store ministry.

We are currently collecting: Gently used household items, including bedding, bath and kitchen supplies, Children's items and toys, Clothing of all sizes, Shoes, coats, and accessories and Small home décor and kitchen items.

Your donated items can help provide comfort, support, and practical assistance to families working to rebuild their lives. What may no longer be needed in your home could become a tremendous blessing to someone else.

Thank you for helping us love and serve our neighbors in a tangible way!

**BRING YOUR ITEMS TO THE PARKING LOT OF THE  
SULPHUR SPRINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL ON SATURDAY,**

**MAY 30 BETWEEN 8:00 - 2:00.**

# SENIOR SUNDAY - MAY 31

Please make plans to join us on May 31 as we recognize, honor and celebrate the Seniors in the Class of 2026 who are part of Grace. We are planning a reception after worship for a time to visit and encourage these young people on their next season of their lives.



## GRACE CHILDREN'S SUMMER KICK OFF PARTY



Grace Kids mark your calendars for a Welcome Summer Party on June 6 at 11:00 - 1:00.

It's gonna be fun, so invite your friends. This will be hosted at the home of Matt and Dr Bridgette Coker at 160 CR 4759.

**MORE DETAILS WILL COME LATER!!!**

## 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 TRUST IN GOD'S CARE AND TIMING**

Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion.  
For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him!  
Isaiah 30:18

## MEAL TRAIN FOR THE JOHNSTON FAMILY



### Meal Train for Lennon Bentley Johnston!!!

If you would like to participate in the Meal Train for the Johnston Family as they welcome baby Lennon, click on the QR Code below. If the QR Code scares you or if you have any questions or need help signing up, feel free to reach out to Megan Burns at 903-243-0391.

The Meal Train is a great way that Grace shows love to our young families during their very busy time after the birth of a baby. If you prefer not to cook, you can always send a gift card and it will be much appreciated too.



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## GRACE FEEDS WORK CAMP

Every year since the beginning of Grace, we have helped support Sulphur Springs Work Camp by feeding the workers one night during their work week. This year we will feed them on

**JUNE 3**

We are still working out the details and figuring out the numbers, but for now please consider how you can help with this meal. We will send out an email soon asking for specific needs and volunteers for:

1. Donating money for the meal
2. Assembling and cooking a pan of "Work Camp Pasta" (Ingredients provided)
3. Purchasing salad
4. Cooking Garlic Bread or Desserts to feed these hungry teens
5. Working in the kitchen before, during and after the meal.

This is always a fun time of working together for the good of our community and I hope you will want to join us. If you would like to help, contact Mary Ellen at 903-438-7272

## LOVE GRACE METHODIST? TELL THE WORLD!!!

Scan the QR Code to the right to direct you to Google Reviews. Please leave a review and let people know what you think about Grace Methodist Church. Sharing your review is a wonderful way to grow our church and potentially grow God's Kingdom. By including your personal experiences, you can guide new families to be a part of what we are doing at Grace. Your feedback not only helps us improve but also serves as a form of evangelism, reaching those who are seeking a church home. Your opinion can help reassure others and encourage them to join us on their spiritual journey with confidence at Grace Methodist



## 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.

April 26 - 136  
May 3 - 167  
May 10 - 181

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**MAY 19 - SEW MUCH GRACE - Shooks Chapel 10:00am**

**May 30 - SAFE-T DONATION COLLECTION at Sulphur Springs Middle School  
8:00 - 2:00.**

**MAY 31 - GRACE SENIOR SUNDAY - Refreshments following worship.**

**JUNE 1-4 - SULPHUR SPRINGS WORK CAMP**

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

**JUNE 6 - GRACE CHILDREN'S SUMMER KICKOFF - Home of Matt & Bridgette Coker  
11:00 - 1:00**

**JUNE 6 - SHANNON OAKS ICE CREAM FREEZE OFF - Shannon Oaks Church 5:00pm**

**JUNE 8 - GRACEFUL GREETINGS at the Book Nook on Main - 10:00am**

**JUNE 14 - FAREWELL RECEPTION HONORING THE EMMERT FAMILY**

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

## **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 or Silvina Epperson at 903-456-0207.

## **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.*

## 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!

**MAY 19, 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 JUNE 8, 2026  
AT THE BOOK NOOK ON MAIN AT 10:00AM**

For more information or questions, contact

**SHARON FELDT AT 832-687-6617**

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



## 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.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF GRACE

May 20 - Jason Thompson

May 21 - Brad Johnson and Ronny Petty

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

## THE NEW GRACE WEBSITE

Check out the "New Improved" Grace Website.

# SSGMC.ORG

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

## IT'S TIME FOR ICE CREAM!!!

# Ice Cream Freeze Off

## Shannon Oaks Church

Saturday, June 6th

5pm

**REGISTER NOW!!!**  
**IT'S GONNA BE FUN!!!**

Scan  
here to  
register



# GRACE ON WEDNESDAYS

## Text of the Week Pastor's Bible Study

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

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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."