



GRACE
METHODIST
SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS

COME AND SEE

October 2, 2026

COME WORSHIP WITH US EACH SUNDAY AT 10:00AM
876 Wildcat Way, Sulphur Springs, TX



GRACE METHODIST MEMBERSHIP CLASS



This class is for those considering joining, as well as current members. It will offer a great opportunity to learn about Grace Methodist, the Global Methodist Church, and what it means to be a member of our congregation. Many have gone through this class or one similar. If you are interested, please mark the card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Or, you may contact Pastor Ed at edlantz@ssgmc.org

This class is not required to join Grace Methodist. However, it is important that Pastor Ed is able to talk with you about Grace and the GMC prior to joining. He loves telling our story. Reach out to him if you're interested.

What: Grace Methodist Membership Class

When: Sunday mornings (Oct. 4,11,18,25) at 8:45 am

Where: Murray-Orwosky

Materials/books: Materials will provided at no cost

DIAPER SHOWER FOR SPENCER & MARA WELCH



Diaper Shower

FOR THE

WELCH FAMILY



OCTOBER 18



IN THE LOBBY
AFTER WORSHIP

Enjoy lite refreshments

as we help prepare Spencer and Mara
for their new baby.



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 **FOR OUR LIVES TO BEAR FRUIT FOR GOD**

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's varied grace:
1 Peter 4:10

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: WE ARE MOVING FORWARD

Grace Family,

We have another exciting update from the building site!

The sitework is progressing nicely, and it is exciting to see the transformation taking place on our property. Morgan Anderson and his crew are doing a great job, and we are very grateful for the work they are putting into preparing the site for our new church home.

And once again, God's timing has been perfect!

The latest rain came at just the right time and provided some much-needed moisture for the site. Once again, we have been blessed by God's provision and His perfect timing. It is amazing to look back over this entire project and see how often things have fallen into place at just the right moment.

The sitework will continue to progress into the parking lot area next week. As that work moves forward, we are getting closer to some very exciting milestones in the construction process.

What's Coming Next?

Our next major step will be utility installation as we prepare for the pouring of the concrete foundation, which is currently anticipated for early November.

Following the foundation work, the steel structure for our new building is expected to arrive in mid-November. That will be an especially exciting moment for all of us. After years of talking about our new church home, we will begin to see the building itself rise from the ground!

It is hard to overstate how exciting this season is for Grace Methodist Church. What started more than 3½ years ago with a vision, prayer, and a step of faith is now becoming a physical reality.

Every week, we can see another piece of the vision coming together.

The dirt is moving.

The utilities are coming.

The foundation is approaching.

And soon, the steel will begin to rise!

As exciting as these milestones are, we know there is still much work ahead. Please continue to pray for everyone involved in this project—our Construction Team, Morgan Anderson and his crew, contractors, architects, engineers, church leadership, and all of the people working behind the scenes to make this project possible.

And especially, please pray for the weather. The next several weeks are important as we prepare for

the foundation work and the erection of the building structure. We need good weather to keep the sitework moving, get the foundation poured, and allow the steel structure to be erected according to schedule.

Throughout this journey, we have repeatedly seen God's faithfulness. We have also learned that His timing is not always our timing—but His timing has consistently provided what we needed when we needed it.

So let's continue to be patient, continue to pray, and continue to celebrate each milestone along the way.

We are getting closer!

Soon, we won't just be looking at plans and imagining what our new church home will look like. We will be standing inside it, worshiping together and giving thanks for what God has done.

Thank you, Grace Family, for your continued prayers, support, generosity, and excitement. We are incredibly blessed to be on this journey together.

God has been faithful.

God continues to provide.

And we can't wait to see what He does next!

To God be the glory!



READ, REFLECT AND BE READY

In a world of competing voices and shifting sands, God's word leads us and steadies us. As the Psalmist says, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." (Ps. 119:105).

I invite you to begin reading and reflecting on these texts for Sunday, September 27. May God's word illumine your way and your heart this week.

Blessings,

Ed Lantz



GRACE LADIES **BRUNCH** OCTOBER 8



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Ladies LUNCH BRUNCH



**THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 8,
10:00 AM**



**TEXT AMANDA THOMAS
AT 903-348-1726 TO
RSVP AND FOR LOCATION.**



CALLING ALL CHURCH MEMBERS



**What a great opportunity to "Make a Joyful Noise to the LORD"!
If you can sing, hum, whistle, croon, strum, tap, chirp, yodel,
warble or can make a melody in any form, come
sing with the Grace Choir.**

**Every Wednesday they will be rehearsing at Shooks Chapel at
6:00, in preparation for their Christmas Cantata.**

*If you have questions, please
email James Wilson at james1836wilson@gmail.com or text 713-478-3238*

PRAYER INITIATIVE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Several Christian leaders in our community – across all streams of faith – have started a Prayer Initiative to enlist people to **STAND IN THE GAP** for our High School Students. We are looking for volunteers who are willing to lift **ONE** (randomly assigned) student before God and pray daily for them and their family throughout their high school years as they face the life-altering decisions at this critical time in their life.

If you are age 19 or over and willing to take on this challenge, please sign up in the lobby. All we need is your name. In a week or two, we will hand out to everyone who signed up, an envelope containing a card with the student's name, picture, and graduation year. We ask that you put the student's card in a place where you can see it often, then **PRAY** over the student, their family, and the issues of life they are facing, until they graduate high school.



No physical or verbal contact is necessary. God knows the student, their needs, issues, and problems. All we ask is that you pray for the student daily.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Given in loving memory of Elsianne Horton by Grace Murray

Given in loving memory of Mona Giles by Grace Murray

TRUNK OR TREAT



**SEATS STILL AVAILABLE**

HEART OF HOPE FALL FUNDRAISER BANQUET

October 6, 2026
6:00-8:30 p.m.
Hopkins County Regional Civic Center
1200 Houston St., Sulphur Springs, TX

SEATS STILL AVAILABLE

KEYNOTE SPEAKER~ DEBBY EFURD

Grace Methodist members have 4 tables Reserved and invite you to join them.

If you would like to attend, please contact Mandy Kennedy at 903-243-2206



Peace after the storm!

ATTENDANCE IN WORSHIP

September 13 - 160
September 20 - 163
September 27 - 179

NORTHEAST DISTRICT MISSION DAY - "FLOOD BUCKET PARTY"

We're coming together as a district family for a hands-on mission day as we assemble Flood Buckets for disaster relief efforts. Each church in the district is asked to supply the items needed, and together our goal is to assemble 150 buckets. Grace in Sulphur Springs is collecting leather work gloves and reusable kitchen gloves through October 11 in the lobby.

This is a beautiful opportunity to serve side by side, strengthen our connection, and offer real help to families recovering from disaster.

Come ready to serve, encourage one another, and make a difference.

Together we bring hope, help, and Christ's love to those who need it most.



NORTHEAST DISTRICT MISSION DAY
FLOOD BUCKET PARTY
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

WE WILL BE ASSEMBLING THESE KITS AT
Como Methodist Church
1006 First St.
Como, TX

We're coming together as a district family for a hands-on mission day as we assemble Flood Buckets for disaster relief efforts.

Together our goal is to assemble **150** buckets.

More details soon.

ITEMS NEEDED:

-  **REUSABLE (NOT DISPOSABLE) KITCHEN GLOVES**
-  **WORK GLOVES**
Cotton with leather palm or all leather.
-  We will email a sign up sheet soon.

 **GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH** **NORTHEAST DISTRICT MISSION DAY "FLOOD BUCKET PARTY"** *Together for Others*

DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER 4 - GRACE METHODIST MEMBERSHIP CLASS - Murray Orwosky - 8:45

OCTOBER 5 - GRACEFUL GREETINGS at the Book Nook on Main - 11:00am

OCTOBER 6 - SEW MUCH GRACE - Shooks Chapel 10:00am

OCTOBER 7 - GRACE CHOIR PRACTICE - Shooks Chapel - 6:00pm

OCTOBER 17 - FLOOD BUCKET PARTY - Como Methodist Church

OCTOBER 18 - DIAPER SHOWER FOR WELCH FAMILY - after worship in the Lobby

OCTOBER 28 - TRUNK OR TREAT - Grocery Supply Parking Lot

NOVEMBER 14 - 2026 WOMEN'S ANEW CONFERENCE - Tyler St. Church, 927 W 10th St, Dallas, TX, - 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM

DECEMBER 13 - GRACE CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONTATA

GET READY FOR WORSHIP



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Get Ready for **WORSHIP**

Go to our website, ssgmc.org, each week after Wednesday, and get a preview of the music and message that we will be hearing at Grace each Sunday.

Go check out and listen to the music and preview the scripture as you get your heart prepared for worship.

Visit Our Website



HAPPY BIRTHDAY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF GRACE

October 5 - Connie Emmert

October 6 - Marilyn Holt

October 7 - Hudson Bergman

October 8 - Collin Coker

October 10 - Michael Brock & Angie Standbridge

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.



ANEW 2026 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Anew
2026
ANNOUNCING
OUR
SPEAKERS

SEEN

**KATHERINE
REILEY**

Seen and loved
by God

SAVED

**PAT
MCCLAIN**

Saved from
self-lies
and shame

SENT

**LAUREN
YATES**

Sent to love
others —
family,
friends and
strangers

Dallas **NOV. 14, 2026**

Make your plans now for a special day or refreshment, inspiration, and fellowship!

This year's ANEW will be hosted in Dallas at Tyler Street Church, 927 W 10th St, Dallas, TX 75208 on Saturday, November 14, 2026 at 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Register by August 31 to get the "Early Bird" Discount price of \$40.

SCAN HERE



TO REGISTER

Scan the QR Code or go to:
<https://midtexasgmc.jotform.com/261457384455970> to Register.
REGISTRATION - \$50 (Sept 1 - Oct 14), Late \$60 (after Oct 15)

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!

OCTOBER 6, 2026 AT 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 OCTOBER 5, 2026

AT THE BOOK NOOK ON MAIN AT 11:00AM

For more information or questions, contact

SHARON FELDT AT 832-687-6617

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.

GRACE ON WEDNESDAYS

GRACE CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Every Wednesday

SHOOKS CHAPEL

5:45-7:00

**Text of the Week
Pastor's
Bible Study**

**Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00
GSC Corporate Office
130 Hillcrest**

GRACE PARENT/YOUNG ADULT CLASS

**Meets EVERY Wednesday
At the home of Jason & Jill Dietze
400 Briarwood Place**

5:45-7:00 **Contact Jason
Dietze for more info
903-439-5764**

YOUTH REFUGE

**Every Wednesday
food, fun fellowship and study.**

**GROCERY SUPPLY
TRAINING ROOM**

**1301 Main Street
6:00 TO 7:30pm**

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.

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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."