

Children's Sermon Pastor

Prayers of the People Pastor
 Leader: We pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response "Threefold Amen" Chancel Choir

Offertory
Please fill out & tear off the pew registration pad page and give it to the usher.

*Doxology No. 95
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise him, all creatures here below;
 praise him above, ye heavenly host;
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen .*

*Prayer of Consecration Pastor

*Hymn of Preparation "Open My Eyes that I May See" No. 454

Old Testament Reading Malachi 3:1-4 Ronnie Harper
 New Testament Reading Philippians 1:3-11 Ronnie Harper

Anthem "I Worship You, Almighty God" Chancel Choir

* Scripture Reading Luke 1:67-79 Pastor

Sermon "Zacharias' Prophecy" Pastor

Hymn of Invitation "Where He Leads Me" No. 338

*Benediction Pastor

Choral Response "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" Chancel Choir

Going Forth in the Light Acolyte
 *Postlude Accompanist

**Stand Physically/Or in Spirit*

*Please remain in your pew until the light is carried out.
 Please leave any bulletins and inserts that you do not wish to keep in your pew,
 so that we can reuse or recycle them.*

Acolyte Billie Ann Maddox
 Usher Mr. Buddy Wade

If you are visiting with us here at Grace UMC, we hope you will feel welcome, and will encounter God's grace in this service. We ask all guests and church members to sign the registration pad on the end of each pew. Please tear out the page and give it to the usher during the offering.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

*We at Grace United Methodist Church,
 affirming ourselves to be a part of Christ's Holy Church
 and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
 do seek to honor and glorify God
 through sharing our gifts, talents, and service,
 thereby responding to God's command to take His love to all people.*

ACTIVITIES AT GRACE

Sunday, December 9

Sunday School Gathering 9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Monday, December 10

Yoga in Fellowship Hall 6:00 p.m.
 Hospice meets in Parlor 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 11

Men's Club Christmas Party – Ladies' Night 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 12

Chancel Choir 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 13

Yoga in Fellowship Hall 6:00 a.m.
 Prayer Group 3:00 p.m.

Friday, December 14

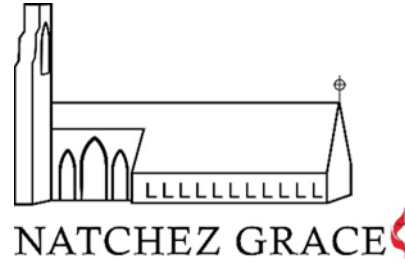
No Scheduled Activities

Saturday, December 15

Choir practice for Cantata 3:30 p.m.



You can also give one-time or recurring gifts to the church *electronically!* Scan the QR Code to the left to give via your mobile device, or you can give online at www.natchezgrace.com



James E. Swanson, Sr. Bishop
Lindsey Robinson – District Superintendent
Linda Fox – Pastor
Dale Young – Music Director
Darlene Gilbert – Accompanist

A United Methodist Congregation

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December 9, 2018 2nd Sunday of Advent 10:00 a.m.
Service of Word

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Prelude		Accompanist
Entering in the Light		Acolyte
Life of the Congregation		Pastor
Call to Worship	“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”	Chancel Choir
Invocation		Pastor
Lighting the Advent Candle		Scott & Audley Nugent
*Hymn of Praise	“Blessed Be the God of Israel”	No. 209
*Affirmation of Faith	Apostles’ Creed	No. 881
*The Gloria Patri		No. 70
	<i>Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.</i>	

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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