

# GRACE GAZETTE

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## Treasure Christ and His Word

### ... together ... on Sunday Morning

Everyone - read over and prepare your heart to receive the Word of God preached at our corporate gathering on **Sunday, June 17**. On "Father's Day," Pastor-Teacher Rick Zaman will continue teaching in 1 John with the title "*The Love of the Father*" from the text [1 John 2:12-17](#). Would you please pray for all the Grace Elders as they shepherd this local church body? Your prayers would be an encouragement and blessing to them.

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE – JUNE 15, 2018

### Classes Resuming at the Grace Facilities

The Middle School Bible Class is meeting now in the new building (East Wing). Parents: the location is the **East Hall – Middle Classroom – first hour (9:00 AM)**. High School Bible Class meets second hour (10:45 AM) in the same room. Also, the 9-10 ages class continues during both hours in the former classroom at the end of the West Wing hallway.

### Thank you to all the Hosts and Drivers

The class leaders cannot express enough how grateful they are for the host families that allowed middle and high school to meet over the past six months. Thank you to the Henkles, the Davidsons, and the Adams. Please keep the Adams in prayer as they travel and serve in a missions effort over the next few weeks. Thank you as well to **ALL the drivers** who helped to move kids around!

### C3 Class – in the EAST HALL

The **College, Couples, and Career (C3) Class** is meeting at **10:45 a.m.** in the GBC facilities, East Wing, East Hall (Classroom A).

### Multigenerational Ladies' Summer Bible Study

A four-week small group Bible Study is offered to ladies of all ages (including high school), beginning **Friday, June 29, 7:00-8:30 p.m.**, in Midlothian. Study meets every other Friday until August 10, alternating between the Minnick and the Bisharat homes. Come gather together and study the Psalms with other women! Both commitment to the group and very light homework are included. For more information and to register, visit [here](#) soon as *space is limited*. For any questions, contact Vanesa Minnick at [vanesaminnick@gmail.com](mailto:vanesaminnick@gmail.com) or Evan Bisharat at 804.615.3826.

### Vacation Bible School is only Seven Weeks Away!

**Time Lab VBS 2018: Sunday, August 5 – Thursday, August 9** – *Discovering Jesus from Eternity Past to Eternity Future*. Imagine traveling through time and meeting the most important man ever – a man who was not just a man, but also God. One who turned the world upside-down. One who existed outside of time. We'll do just that as we embark on *Time Lab, Vacation Bible School!* Registration is now open [HERE](#) – for ages 5 through 10 (must be 5 by September 29, 2018). Times are 5:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. \*\*\* As we prepare our "time travelers" for this epic adventure, we need **YOUR** help. Please see the chart attached to the *Gazette* for the areas still open for crucial volunteers. (If viewing on the web, contact Church Office at [info@gracebiblemonk.org](mailto:info@gracebiblemonk.org).) If you have any questions, contact Kim Voiles ([kcvoiles@verizon.net](mailto:kcvoiles@verizon.net)) or Heather Rose Asimos ([heatherasimos@gmail.com](mailto:heatherasimos@gmail.com)).

## SERVING THE LORD HERE AT GRACE

### Teacher-Assistants Needed at SEF on June 24

For the Evening Fellowship on **Sunday, June 24** (see below), your participation is needed as teacher and assistants for the **children ages 0-10**. Register [HERE](#) today for the “station style” Children’s Program. All materials provided for lesson (*God Created the World to Praise and Glorify Him*) and crafts. Visit link provided for pdfs for all materials. *If adults do not volunteer, age groups will be cancelled.* The times are **5:40 (nursery and toddler); 6:00 (older ages) – 7:30 p.m.** Contact for any questions is Wendy Routhier at [kwrouthier@gmail.com](mailto:kwrouthier@gmail.com). Thank you for serving our children in this important ministry.

### VBS Volunteers – Many Hands are Needed

Please see the attachment to the *Gazette* for ways that you can help with [Vacation Bible School](#) at Grace, August 5-9, in the evenings. Many volunteers are needed to provide a VBS. If you have any questions, contact Kim Voiles ([kcvoiles@verizon.net](mailto:kcvoiles@verizon.net)) or Heather Rose Asimos ([heatherasimos@gmail.com](mailto:heatherasimos@gmail.com)).

### Grace Greeting Ministry

**Coordinator Barry Marshall** is looking for additional volunteers for this ministry that is the first point of contact for all visitors at GBC. The **Greeting Team** welcomes to the building and provides direction to appropriate areas, as well as greeting and distributing bulletins at doors to Auditorium. The Greeter is often the first impression a visitor has of Grace. Would you prayerfully consider assisting? God may be using your service for something greater than you know. Rotation is for one month each quarter – each Sunday morning for either first or second service. This is a great way to meet and assist new people at GBC! Contact Barry at [barmar1618@gmail.com](mailto:barmar1618@gmail.com).

### Seating for those Who Serve - Reserved

Grace leadership has an update on our seating arrangement in the Worship Center which you may have noticed this past Sunday. In preparation for the arrival of the additional padded chairs for the Worship Center (arriving this next week – Lord willing!), six “Reserved” signs have been placed on chairs on the back right wall. These seats are purposed for those who serve us faithfully on Sunday mornings: **Ushers, Safety Team, and Greeters**. Both leadership and these who serve will greatly appreciate those seats being left open – thank you for serving them in this way!

## OUTREACH – GLOBAL - LOCAL

### From the Bjerks in Central Europe

“May 31-June 2 we had our first English camp at Zelena Dolina. About 25 children, primarily from three local churches, came out for three days of English learning, Bible study, and fun. There were also a few from unbelieving families, who were invited by other campers. We used a program based on the Chronicles of Narnia, compressed into 5 sessions over three days. It was an exhausting three days of service, but everything went very well. We have had a lot of positive feedback from campers and other leaders. Praise the Lord!” If you would like to receive the Bjerk newsletters directly, please contact the Church Office at [info@gracebiblerichmond.org](mailto:info@gracebiblerichmond.org).

### From the Wittmers here in Chesterfield – 67 Days to Departure

Bill and Judy ask that you please pray as a decision could be made today on whether they can rent a property that friends have located on their behalf. This property is more costly, but has fewer people interested. It is located in Fenit, about 15 minutes’ drive west of Tralee, north of the bay. Please pray that a property can be secured for them soon. If you would like to receive the Wittmer newsletters directly, please contact them at [bwittmer@biblicalministries.org](mailto:bwittmer@biblicalministries.org).

## GRACE FINANCIALS

<b>Grace Giving for June 10, 2018</b>				
	Actual	Budget	Better/(Worse)	Balance
General Fund	8,734.42	12,230.19	(3,495.77)	119,870.94
Missions Fund	2,612.97	3,911.88	(1,298.91)	73,609.10
Building Fund	395.00			60,473.87
<b>June 2018 Month to Date</b>				
	Actual	Budget	Better/(Worse)	
General Fund	20,667.63	24,460.38	(3,792.75)	
Missions Fund	5,697.26	7,823.76	(2,126.50)	
Building Fund	1,640.00		1,640.00	

## LOOK FORWARD TO ~ COMING SOON

### Sunday Evening Fellowship – June 24

There will be a **Sunday Evening Fellowship on Sunday, June 24, 6:00 p.m.** – please plan to join us. We will hear an exposition of scripture from summer Intern Trent Radding, along with a few Membership matters. A **Children’s Program for ages 10 and under** is provided. Everyone begins the evening together in the Auditorium, (*except Nursery and Toddler classes*), and children will be dismissed after the singing to the classroom wing with the teachers. Assistance is needed with children for the evening – please see above. Since the new kitchen will probably not be ready by then, no food is planned for this evening. There is no Fellowship Group Leaders’ Meeting scheduled at 4:30 p.m. before this SEF.

### Third Annual Men’s Retreat in July – Registration is Open

Just a month away, all Grace men are encouraged to join us at the **Annual Men’s Retreat at Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center, July 6-8, 2018**. The guest speaker is **Derek J. Brown**, author of *Strong and Courageous: The Character and Calling of Mature Manhood*. Cost per person is \$80.00 (scholarships are available – contact [Bill Cross](#) – including for any questions). Mature young men in high school are welcome to attend. Registration and all important details are [HERE](#) – *please register for each individual person attending*. Registration and payment **deadline is Sunday, July 1**. Make checks payable to GBC with “Men’s Retreat” on memo line; and drop in Grace Offering boxes.

### High School Summer Study – Apologetics – Register Today

High School ages: great summer opportunity for you! A class in *Apologetics* at GBC; begins **Wednesday, June 27, 10:00 a.m.**, then 3 more weeks (**July 5, July 11, July 18**). Registration is required [HERE](#), where you will find all the important details (including times); cost per person is \$10.00. All rising ninth graders are welcome to register, as well as graduating seniors. Lord willing, we will have a fun and enriching time in God’s Word through this study. For any questions, contact Stephen Boom at [sboom@gracebiblechrichmond.org](mailto:sboom@gracebiblechrichmond.org).

### Men and Women: Learn How to Study the Bible Personally

This special opportunity coming in the fall: *Precept Ministries* Training Workshop, planned for **Friday and Saturday, September 14-15**, here at Grace Bible in the East Hall. Workshop titles: *How to Study the Old Testament History and Prophecy* and *How to Study the New Testament Letters*. A method of Inductive Bible Study will be taught and applied during this workshop. If you have questions, desire details, or would like a registration form, contact Heidi Merritt at [heidimerr@gmail.com](mailto:heidimerr@gmail.com) – or, visit the *Precept* page here: <http://training.precept.org/>. Those who register online before August 14 will receive a \$25.00 discount. Child care is not provided.

## “Stay-Treat” in October ~ for Women

Ladies of Grace: the Women’s Ministry Team is excited to announce the annual fall event this year – a “**STAY-TREAT**” – so mark your calendars! All women are encouraged to participate: **Friday evening October 19, and Saturday, October 20 – here at GBC**. Accommodations are: your own bed (or ‘away’ if you choose); cost is minimal. We hope you will be able to attend - it’s a blessing!

## BUILDING EXPANSION-REMODEL UPDATES - FAQs

### Progress to Report on the GBC Facilities

- We are currently in a “slower” stage where items remain to be completed, and we see small steps of progress each week. We are thankful to have the attic stair/closure installed, as well as follow up assistance from **Lou Haynes** (“full-time” volunteer). We are grateful to Lou for ALL he is doing as *the* Maintenance volunteer.
- Many “cleanup” items will continue around the facilities in the weeks to come, including construction of additional cabinetry and work in the kitchen. All of the “blue tape” you see on the walls, etc., are spots that need attention.
- We should also acknowledge again the (ongoing) work in the “IT/audio/video” areas – usually behind the scenes. Thank you to **David Word, James Lock, and Mike Mazzo**. We appreciate your patience with all our questions!
- We appreciate the ongoing maintenance service of the vacuum cleaners, which happens at least monthly. Thank you **Temple** – for sticking with this dirty “job” for so long!
- Thank you to **Wayne Moyer** who this week painted the exterior doors, north side of Worship Center – three coats!
- Thank you again to **Jim and Kathy Kramer** and **John Helmuth** who continue working numerous hours to build shelving in the studies, conference room, and *Book Nook*.
- We are grateful to God for all of you and your abilities and your faithful service to the Lord!
- **If you come to the GBC facility during the week**, please come to the new entry on the east side (‘new’ parking lot) and ring doorbell to your right (or call the office: 378-6722) for entrance to building.

If there are any questions about any of this, contact an active Elder (not on sabbatical). Thank you to everyone for your patience as we work through these changes, and **please continue to pray for the construction process, the workers, and the leadership making many decisions each week.**

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

### Joyful Birthday to these in the GBC Family

We are thankful for each one at Grace Bible. Rejoice with us for these in the Grace family that have birthdates approaching: **Miranda Wood, Alfredo Arzate, Russ Leavitt, Katy Whitlow, Patty Randall, ‘Pebbles’, Dianne Reynolds-Cane, Rheanna Cople, Ezra Cook, Shannon Lush, Lyndsey Graham, Ben Ryan, Melody Calley, Sheila Fisher, Haddon Granillo, Teddy Paulis, and Grace Wettstone**. For each one - pray for a year of blessings and joy in life and in the service of the Lord. Happy Birthday to all! (These names are repeats from last week – we were “ahead” of ourselves.)

### Blessings on Anniversaries Next Week

Joyful blessings to these who have wedding anniversaries soon: **Kyle and Kara LaClair, David and Lois Martin, Bill and Patty Randall, Luther and Melody Ghorley, Ron and Karin Mamrick, and Alfredo and Laura Arzate**. Pray for strong marriages at Grace that honor God and are reflections of Christ and the Church.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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