



# THE GRACEVINE

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In 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

**“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”**

For the past 32 years, more than \$170 million has been generated for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring by thousands of groups across the country. It has become a powerful movement that transforms the time around the Big Game into the nation’s largest celebration of giving and caring for those in need.

Through this mission, people learn they can make a positive difference in the world as they collect food, raise money and serve at hunger-relief charities and show caring and compassion in local communities across the country.

Share in God’s love for our neighbors in need and give generously on Super Bowl Sunday. **All the donations collected at Grace Presbyterian Church will go directly to our Souper Bowl of Caring Charity of Choice, which is United Christian Outreach right here in Lafayette, LA.**

In 2021 to purchase a 30-second commercial during the Super Bowl the cost was \$6 million dollars. (that was up from 2020 by over \$400K according to USA Today) Research has shown that Americans spend \$15.5 billion dollars on snacks for Super Bowl Sunday and that 810 million people around the world are hungry. **What if everyone who bought food at the grocery store gave \$1 to hunger relief?**

Join us on **Sunday, February 13th** as we collect non-perishables, paper products and monetary donations to help feed the less fortunate right here in Lafayette by giving to United Christian Outreach. Please bring items with you to worship on February 13th. There will also be soup pots set up as you enter for worship where you have the chance to place a monetary donation for which team you wish to win the Super Bowl this year. This year’s teams are the Cincinnati Bengals and the Los Angeles Rams.



### Sunday Worship Schedule

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

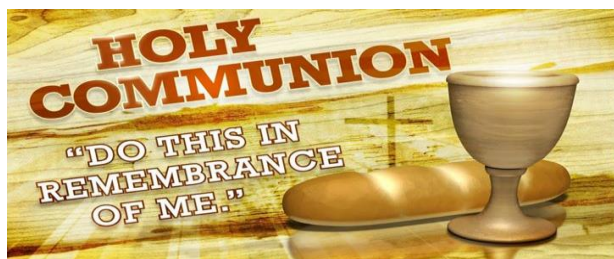
10:30 a.m. Worship

### Church Office Hours

M-Thur. 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Fri. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

*A Nursery is available every Sunday during Worship in Room 4.*



**COMMUNION** - will be celebrated during our **10:30 a.m.** worship service on **Sunday, February 6th**. As usual, we invite those who watch our worship stream to gather your communion elements ahead of time so you can take communion with us.

## **Committee Meetings**

**SESSION MEETING** – will be on **Tuesday, February 22nd** at **6pm**. Please let Lynne Castle know if you are an Elder and cannot attend this meeting.

**The Vineyard Sunday School class** is taking a break for the month of February. They will meet again starting on Sunday, March 6th with a Lenten SS Series. That will be the first Sunday in Lent.



If anyone would like to bring flowers to place in the front of the sanctuary on Sunday Mornings, please add your name to the signup sheet located outside the Sanctuary or let Margaret Boone know which Sunday you would like. You can reach Margaret at (337) 981-2475.

Thank you to **Margaret Boone and Joe & Glenda Hunter** for providing flowers so regularly in 2021.



### **Church Directory** 2022 Directory

We are in the final stages of making our 2022 contact directory which includes Members, Non-Members & Regular Visitors. If you have any corrections to make from last year and have not informed the church office yet, please email Sarah at [gracpreb@lusfiber.net](mailto:gracpreb@lusfiber.net) or call (337) 984-6400 by February 14th.



PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN



The Presbyterian Women meet monthly for Bible Study. The ladies meet in member's homes on the 2nd or 3rd Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is not expected to host.

Our current Bible Study is titled "What my Grandmothers Taught Me, Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus."

**PW CIRCLE MEETING** – next meeting will be on Monday, February 21st at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Betty Adams. (510 Avatar Dr.) All women that attend Grace Church are invited to join us for Bible Study and Fellowship. Even if you are not a member at Grace, we welcome you to join us for Bible Study.

After Bible Study, anyone who wishes will go out to lunch. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Margaret Boone at [marboone@yahoo.com](mailto:marboone@yahoo.com) or at (337) 981-2475.



**GLASS JARS, LIDS & SEALS NEEDED:**

If anyone has glass pint sized jars (*the size we use for the visitor brownie mix*), please bring them by the church. They can either be left in the kitchen or given to the church secretary. We also need seals & lids if you have those. We will be making more jars of brownie mix soon. Thank you in advance!



**MDO REGISTRATION** – Grace Mother's Day Out is still taking registrations for our upcoming Summer 2022 and Fall 2022-2023 Semesters. Spots were offered to our current families first, but spots are now open to any new families that would like to join the program. For more information, please email [mdoatgrace@gmail.com](mailto:mdoatgrace@gmail.com) or call MDO at (337) 993-1231.

**MDO MARDI GRAS PARADE** – MDO will have their Annual Mardi Gras Parade on **Thursday, February 24th at 1:30 p.m.** on the Grace Tennis Courts. Everyone is invited to join us for this fun event that the children look forward to each year. The kids will have "floats" that they made in class and will be throwing beads to everyone.



## MARY LOU'S RICE DRESSING

- 1 lb ground beef
- 1 lb Jimmy Dean sausage
- 1 can Cream of Chicken Soup
- 1 can Cream of Onion Soup
- 1 cup raw rice
- 1 chopped onion
- 1 chopped bell pepper
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped celery with tops

In a Dutch oven brown beef and sausage. Drain off grease. Add remaining ingredients and mix. Cover. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 ½ hours. Serves 8-10

*The above recipe is from Mary Lou Montgomery and was published in the 3rd Presbyterian women's Cookbook. Mary Lou and her husband Ray are long-time members of Grace Church. Their son Paul Montgomery & family are also long-time members.*



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Catherine Sarwar
- 5 Wayne Elmore
- 5 Danny Jones
- 6 Joe Hunter
- 13 Denny Gaspard
- 27 Elizabeth Conner Balapitiya

Birthdays can be emailed to [gracpreb@lusfiber.net](mailto:gracpreb@lusfiber.net) or you can call the office at (337) 984-6400.

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent with a public act of confession. Acknowledging that we have all sinned and fallen short of God's glory, we repent and return to our loving creator. Acutely aware of our failure and frailty, we express our utter reliance on God's saving grace.

Ash Wednesday developed in the medieval period as a time when penitent sinners were presented for church discipline during the season of Lent, to be reconciled with the community of faith on Maundy Thursday. Ash Wednesday also came to be the occasion for new believers to enroll in the catechumenate, a period of preparation for baptism at Easter. For those who undertake spiritual disciplines, Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten fast.

Ashes are an ancient symbol of repentance, sorrow, and sacrifice. Traditionally, the ashes for this service are made from the palm branches of the previous year; thus the ashes and palms together frame the season of Lent.

Grace Presbyterian Church will have a brief Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday, March 1st. Time TBA. (normally at Noon)



# Synod Youth Workshop

**When: July 11-16, 2022 (Mon.-Sat.)**

**Where: University of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK**

**Who: Youth going to 9<sup>th</sup> grade to  
Graduated Seniors**

**Website: [synodyouthworkshop.com](http://synodyouthworkshop.com)**

Early Registration is ongoing through  
June 1, 2022.

All Registrations must be received by  
June 30, 2022.

**Cost: \$396 for youth and adults with a  
Home Group  
\$495 for individual youth  
without a Home Group**

\*\*\*Registration forms are available in the  
Church office.

If you cannot make it all the way to Tulsa  
for in-person Synod Youth Workshop,  
another option is Synod Youth Workshop  
Online. This is open to youth who are  
entering 9th grade through those who  
have just graduated from high school and  
their adult sponsors. You will still  
register online, except you will join us  
virtually for small group and worship.  
More info can be found at.....  
[www.synodyouthworkshop.com](http://www.synodyouthworkshop.com).

# CAMP + AGAPE

**When: June 12-18, 2022 (Sun.-Sat.)**

**Where: Feliciana Retreat Center**

**Who: Completed 3<sup>rd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade**


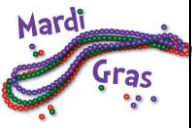

- **Explorer Camp** – those who have completed 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- **Pathfinder Camp** – those who have completed 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- **Adventure Camp** – those who have completed 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- **Senior Intern Program** – those who have completed 12<sup>th</sup> grade.  
*(these campers assist the counselor's while still enjoying everything Camp Agape has to offer)*

Early Registration is ongoing through  
April 30, 2022.

\*\*\*Registration forms are available in the  
Church office.

**\*\*\*Let Sarah know in the Church  
Office if you have plans to go to either  
camp so we can make sure to get you  
registered and paid!**

# FEBRUARY

9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am - Worship		9am-2pm MDO	9am-2pm MDO	9am-2pm MDO		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 <i>Wednesday Study</i> 6:00 p.m.	3	4	5
6 <i>Communion</i>  <i>Worship</i> 10:30 a.m.	7	8	9 <i>Wednesday Study</i> 6:00 p.m	10	11	12
13 <i>Souper Bowl of Caring</i>  <i>Worship</i> 10:30 a.m.	14  <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15	16 <i>Wednesday Study</i> 6:00 p.m	17	18	19
20 <i>Worship</i> 10:30 a.m.	21 <i>PW Circle Meeting</i> 10:00 a.m.	22 <i>Session Meeting</i> 6:00 p.m.	23 <i>Wednesday Study</i> 6:00 p.m	24 <i>MDO</i> <i>Mardi Gras Parade</i> 1:30 p.m. (Tennis Court)	25	26
27 <i>Worship</i> 10:30 a.m.	28	1  <i>Office Closed</i>	2 	3	4	5

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