



grace  
COMMUNITY  
CHURCH

Helping people find and fulfill God's purpose for their lives

# "The Dream Church Doesn't Exist"

1 Peter 2:4-5,9; John 12:25

## UNCOMFORTABLE

*The Awkward and Essential Challenge of Christian Community*



September 7, 2025

Senior Pastor: Nate Marsh

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

TODAY	First Responders Recognition Breakfast Club Small Group @ 9:00am (Room 105) Kidnection @ 9:00 & 10:45am (Children's Building) Grace Espanol @ 10:30am (Room 105) Bible Journaling Group @ 2:30pm (Room 102) Class 501: Discovering Magnification @ 5:00pm (Auditorium) Tech Wise Family @ 6:00pm (Children's Building)
MONDAY	Monday Morning Women's Bible Study @ 9:00am (Children's Building) Parkinson's Group @ 5:30pm (Room 102) Moms in Prayer @ 6:00pm (Room 101)
TUESDAY	Men's Prayer Group @ 6:00am (Room 104) Refresh Mom's Group @ 9:00am (Children's Building) Grace Quilters @ 9:00am (6224 Devonian Rd) Glory in Motion @ 5:00pm (Outside Grace Café)
WEDNESDAY	ESL Morning Class @ 9:00am (Room 104) Healthy Seniors @ 9:00am (Room 105) GriefShare @ 10:00am (Room 103) Healthy Bones @ 10:00am (Room 105) PrimeTime Fall Kickoff lunch @ 12:00pm (Children's Building) DivorceCare @ 6:00pm (Room 102) Hope for Mental Health @ 6:00pm (Room 103) Fortaleciendo Matrimonios @ 6:30pm (Lobby) ESL Evening Class @ 6:30pm (Room 104) Choir @ 6:30pm (Room 105) CHARGE @ 6:30pm (Children's Building) AMPED Groups @ 6:30pm (Student Building)
THURSDAY	Volunteer Central @ 11:00am (Room 103) Thursday Noon Bible Study @ 12:15pm (Room 105) Lighthouse Foster & Adoption @ 5:45pm (Children's Building) Making Peace with Your Past @ 6:00pm (Room 103) Cancer with Grace @ 7:00pm (Room 103)
FRIDAY	Healthy Seniors @ 9:00am (Room 105) Healthy Bones @ 10:00am (Room 105) Celebrate Recovery @ 5:00pm (Children's Building)
SATURDAY	Healing Hearts @ 5:00pm
SEPTEMBER 14	Class 101 Discovering Membership @ 5:00pm (Auditorium) Clase 101 Descubriendo la Membresia @ 5:00pm (Room 103)

**Class 501: Discovering Magnification:** Let us help you discover how to live out your life's purpose as a worshiper of God. Join us TODAY at 5:00pm. Dinner and childcare are provided. RSVP on your connection card today!



**Class 101: Discovering Membership:** If you've been wondering what makes Grace tick, what our strategy and values are, or are just curious, then this class is just for you! You can sign up on your connection card today. The class will be held September 14 @ 5:00pm in the Auditorium. Dinner and childcare are provided.



**Nate Marsh, Senior**  
**Sean Lee, Connection (101)**  
**Sean Lee, Growth (201)**

**Contact us at 575-623-5438**  
**Barry Anderson, Equip (301)**  
**Jerry Acosta, Missions (401)**  
**Kenny Lewis, Worship (501)**

**Maryruth Farmer, Children**  
**Alan Gedde, Family**  
**Student**

## Read Ahead

I'm so glad you joined us today for the first message in our new series, **Uncomfortable: The Awkward and Essential Challenge of Christian Community**. Next week, we'll tackle another "uncomfortable" but life-changing topic: **The Cross**. We'll be looking at **Mark 8:34**, where Jesus invites us into the costly—and beautiful—journey of following Him. Take some time this week to read and reflect on that passage, and come ready for God to stretch and challenge you. I can't wait to see you next Sunday as we keep digging deeper, together!

**Celebrate Recovery:** Celebrate Recovery: Free family meal every Friday at 5pm. Large group at 6. Programs for all ages! Men's and Women's open share at 7pm. Join us in the Children's Building this Friday!



**Emergency Preparedness:** Stock up with a 3-month supply of food for your family and 1 other person.



**Children's September Memory Verse:** "When I'm afraid, I put my trust in you." Psalm 56:3

## **KIDNECTION**

connecting kids to God and others

### **GRACE KIDS SUNDAYS**

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### **SUNDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:** Infants-1 year:

Room 204. Age 1 year-Kinder: "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord." Jeremiah 29:11. In our story today from the Bible your child will hear about the first two people that took care of the plants, trees, and animals in a very special garden. Rooms 201, 203 and 205 Grades 1-5—God can give you courage when you don't feel ready.

## **FAMILY FUN EVENTS**

**Tech Wise Family Class:** Come and learn as a family about how you can balance healthy family relationships with technology. This class is for the entire family to learn together. Join us Sundays at 6:00pm in the Children's Building. Ages 6-99. There is child care for those under 6. Food will be provided.

**TECH-WISE  
FAMILY**

with Andy Couch



**WEDNESDAY EVENING CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:** **CHARGE** from 6:30-8:00pm. It is an awesome time of worship and Bible experience for infants all the way to 5th grade. Dinner is provided.



### **STUDENT MINISTRY:** Weekly activities happen Wednesdays for grades 6-12



Text the word AMPED to 575-223-4583 to sign up for weekly updates via text message. See the **Grace website** for details or scan this QR code with your cell phone camera for all of the details.

#### **Offering Totals**

General \$	24,185.81	Missions \$	396.00
Benevolence \$	5,000.00	Other \$	1,347.00
H.O.P.E. \$	4,475.00	Total \$	35,403.81

#### **Attendance**

Adults:	621
Children:	195
Total:	816

#### **Year to Date:**

Members:	80
Baptisms:	46

### Communion Instructions

You do not have to be a member of Grace to participate in communion. All Christians are invited to come forward, row by row, to participate. Simply take a wafer, dip it into the cup and partake. If you prefer being served in your chair, raise your hand at the conclusion of communion, and the servers will come to you. If you are not taking communion today, just remain in your chair. Thank you.

### Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Lori Young.

**Daughter's of Grace Craft Day:** Join us for a fall painting project with Peggy Krantz Saturday, September 27 from 2:00pm-4:00pm in the Children's Building. Tickets may be purchased for \$20 in the lobby or the 301 office. Your ticket will include all the supplies needed for the afternoon. Please see the table in the lobby or the Daughter's of Grace Facebook page for any questions.



**Healthy Bones Exercise Class:** This class is for middle age and older women AND



men who want to increase bone density, strengthen muscles and improve balance while having fun. Classes are Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00am in Room 105. Bring a rolled-up towel and some type of weights (or water bottles, cans, etc.).

For more information, contact Barry in the church office or Linda Belyeu at 575-291-5932.

Cancer with Grace is building a Team for the 2025 Walk for Hope helping Chaves County residents fight their battle! Help us help them by attending an INFO lunch TODAY @ 12:15 in room 102.



**PrimeTimers:** Please plan to join us for Fall Kickoff and lunch on September 10th @ 12:00pm in the Children's Building. For more information please contact Jena at the church office.



**GriefShare:** GriefShare is a video-based weekly seminar and support group for people who have lost a loved one. Join us on Wednesdays at 10:00am in Room 103. Workbook is \$20 and devotional is \$20, but scholarships are available. Childcare is by reservation. Contact Nola Miller with any questions at 575-637-5096.



**Bible Journaling Group:** Experience God's Word through art-journaling and coloring. Bring your Bible and favorite coloring book or Journaling Bible along with pens and pencils. Join us on Sundays 2:30-4:00pm in room 102. Contact Sharon Berry at 520-647-1245 for more information.



**Prayer List:** Can be picked up weekly beside the bulletin table in the lobby.