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EVENT DIGEST



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ONGOING EVENTS

G4—Young Adults Gathering

MEETS WEEKLY

Mondays | 7 p.m. | MT208



All single or married young adults (between 19-35 years) are invited to join us at our weekly young adult gathering on Monday nights. This is a safe place where young adults can grow to know Jesus, be known in a deep community, and know themselves better! (We will not meet on May 25 or July 6)

Students Thursday Morning Breakfasts

Boys: 9-10 a.m. | Chick-fil-A, 2606 S Kirkwood

Girls: 9-10 a.m. | Chick-fil-A, 753 Dairy Ashford

All: 10 a.m.-noon | Grace Gymnasium

Each week, all students are invited to join Thursday morning breakfasts where we meet at various Chick-fil-A restaurants and then sport in the gym at Grace. There aren't any CFA breakfasts on June 11 (VBS), July 2 (4th of July weekend), and July 16 (MS Mission Trip).

The Chosen Discussion Group for all adults

MEETS WEEKLY

Wednesdays | 12:30 p.m. | MT201

A charismatic fisherman drowning in debt. A troubled woman wrestling with real demons. A tax collector ostracized by his family and his people. A religious leader struggling with his beliefs. *The Chosen* allows us to see Him through the eyes of those who knew Him. *The Chosen* is the first-ever, multi-season TV show about the life of Jesus, and we will be watching each episode of this acclaimed series followed by discussion.

Cornerstone Men's Bible Study

MEETS WEEKLY

Thursdays | 6 p.m.



Join the men of Grace for a new Thursday night Bible study beginning May 7. We'll gather for dinner at the church at 6 p.m., with the study beginning at 7 p.m. Together, we'll explore how Old Testament prophecies are fulfilled in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. All men, high school age and up, are invited.

High School Pool Party Bible Studies

Meets weekly starting June 2 through August 11

Tuesdays | 6-8 p.m. | The Morgan's Home, 606 Regentview Dr.

We get together every week to swim around and get in the Word together! FYI: on July 21, rising ninth graders graduate to High School Pool Party Bible Studies. No Bible Study on June 16 (High School Mission Trip).

Middle School Pool Party Bible Studies

Meets weekly starting June 3–July 29

Wednesdays | 6-8 p.m. | The Hagner's Home, 3 Briar Hill Dr.

Middle schoolers, including rising sixth graders: we will be swimming and studying the Word at the Hagner home this year! Come join us on Wednesday evenings! Eighth graders are part of the Middle School Pool Party Bible Studies until after the Middle School Mission Trip—then starting on July 21, they graduate to high school pool party Bible studies! NO Bible Study on July 15 (MS Mission Trip).

The Grace Chancel Choir

MEETS THE FIRST, THIRD, AND FIFTH WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

7 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal Room

We joyfully lead the congregation in music for special songs, traditional hymns and choral anthems, and join the praise band in leading our weekly worship service. The summer is the perfect time to check out or try out the choir! We choose easier music that you can sing well after a short amount of rehearsal or review. We can't wait to see you at our next choir rehearsal as we make a beautiful noise to the Lord together! Contact Stephanie Clarke (sclarke@gpch.org) for more information.

Meals for Ministries



Help feed our people! Sharing a meal together has long been acknowledged as a wonderful way to spark conversation and help people feel at ease with one another. In fact, several Grace Student Ministries events are centered on that premise. You can help these ministries thrive by providing a meal for the folks participating. Opportunities and details are at the QR code.

Vacation Bible School Support





We can't take on such a big adventure without your help! We need donations to purchase crafts, supplies and snacks to fuel this great big journey. With your donation, hundreds of kids will get to hear about a BIG God who loves them more than they could ever imagine. We also can't make VBS happen with YOU! Please volunteer and make it the best week of the summer!

SERVE OPPORTUNITIES

MISSION TRIPS

Friends of Samburu Mission Trip

June 5-22 | North Central Kenya (outside of Nairobi)

 Friends of Samburu hosts two mission trips each year to north central Kenya—and you're invited. Serve alongside the  Samburu people by building relationships, sharing your faith, and supporting our project constructing a girls' school. It's not just about giving—many return deeply changed by the experience.

Cost is \$4,500–\$5,000 (partial scholarships available). Contact Margaret Ellis at friendsofsamburu@yahoo.com to learn more.

Other ways to get involved: pray for the team members God is calling to serve, and for Margaret Ellis and the ongoing work of Friends of Samburu; serve by joining the mission team; or support the trip through financial sponsorship if you are unable to travel this year.

Outreach Foundation Kenya Mission Trip

August 5–17 | North Central Kenya (outside of Nairobi)



 Join your Grace friends and family for a mission trip to Kenya in August. In partnership with The Outreach Foundation and Stu  Ross, our church has helped build more than 35 churches and girls' schools—and this year, our team will continue that work by helping complete and dedicate a new church and girls' school near Nairobi. Led by John Pflug and Ted Teinert, the trip also includes a safari as we celebrate what God is doing in this growing community of faith.

Cost is \$4,500–\$5,000 (partial scholarships available). To learn more, contact Kristy Elmore at kelmores@gpch.org.

You can get involved by praying for the team and partners, serving by joining the trip, or supporting the mission through financial sponsorship.

Living Water International Mission Trip

October 4–10 | Dominican Republic



 Join us in October for a mission trip to the Dominican Republic in partnership with Living Water International. Led by Amy  Wisniewski, our team will help bring clean water to remote communities by supporting new well installations—connecting water lines to homes and schools through the WASH program. Along the way, you'll build meaningful relationships with local residents and experience a week of service, connection, and lasting impact.

Cost is \$2,500–\$3,000 (partial scholarships are available). To learn more, contact Amy at amywisniewski28@yahoo.com or Kristy Elmore at kelmores@gpch.org.

You may get involved by praying for the team and ministry, serving by joining the trip, or supporting the mission through financial sponsorship if you're unable to travel.

North Carolina Disaster Response Trip

North Carolina | April 2027

 Prayerfully consider joining your Grace Family members in April 2027 for a Disaster Response trip to North Carolina,  where the team will assist families still rebuilding from the 2024 devastation of Hurricane Helene. This will be an opportunity to come alongside families in need—offering practical support, encouragement, and the hope of Christ through presence and service. While the exact cost will be finalized in August, it is estimated to be approximately \$500. For more details or to express interest, please contact Michael Dummer (mdoemar@gmail.com) or Kristy Elmore (kelmores@gpch.org).



You can get involved by joining the mission team, providing financial sponsorship if you are unable to travel, or praying for the families, the leadership, and the work of World Renew.

Summer Saturday Serve

Saturdays throughout the summer

Saturday Serve is a once-a-month, come-as-you-are, intergenerational service opportunity. We have on-campus opportunities to serve and we also plan to visit some community organizations with impactful missions! Stay tuned to learn more about ways you can get involved and serve in new ways. Whether you have one hour or two, your time can make a meaningful impact in someone's life. The dates and events are listed in the pages that follow, or watch the Grace homepage and Grace Weekly email for project details each month. For more information, contact Kristy Elmore at kelmores@gpch.org.



 Make a difference in the lives of students and families right here in Westchase! Join us this summer by serving with your  neighbors and Friends of Westchase!

Paul Revere Garden

Saturday mornings

Join us this summer for meaningful time serving, connecting, and praying together in the garden! Summer brings a beautiful harvest of eggplant, peppers, okra, and tomatoes, and with Paul Revere Middle School hosting summer school, this is a wonderful opportunity to support families experiencing food insecurity right here in our community.

All gardening takes place from 8–10 a.m., making it an easy and impactful way to start your day. Come ready to serve alongside neighbors, pray for students and families, and build relationships in our community. For more information and specific dates, please contact Kristy Elmore at kelmores@gpch.org.

Back to School Basic Essentials Drive

July 19–August 2

Help our HISD students start the year with confidence by providing essential school supplies and clothing. As our school partners report a growing need for basic necessities, your sponsorship offers a practical way to share love and provision, ensuring every child feels prepared and cared for on their first day back.

Sponsorship opportunities include:

\$35: Provides a school uniform, socks, and underwear

\$50: Provides a school uniform, socks, underwear, and a backpack

\$100: Provides two school uniforms, socks, underwear, a backpack, and deodorant

Scan the QR code or stop by the table in the Welcome Center July 19–August 2 to sponsor; or reach out to Kristy Elmore kelmores@gpch.org for more information.

YEAR-ROUND OPPORTUNITIES

West Houston Assistance Ministries (WHAM)

WHAM continues to see an increase in demand for food support across our Westchase community. Please consider donating non-perishable items to support essential needs of families in the Westchase community. Items can be brought to Grace and left in the bins marked “WHAM” in the Connection Center.

Clothed By Faith

Community partner, Clothed By Faith, exists to demonstrate God’s love through the provision of clothing to those in need. Closets for Schools is just one program that addresses clothing insecurity in our city. By providing clean, fitted, and seasonally appropriate clothing, students feel confident and prepared for school and life. Please consider donating any clothing items in the bins marked “Clothed by Faith” in the Connection Center.

M A Y

The Bible in a Year class

Continues through September | 11 a.m. | MTH A



The Bible in a Year program will continue through the summer, encouraging the congregation to read the entire Bible together through the year. This class will meet together each week to discuss what we’ve been reading and support each other as we practice the daily reading of scripture together. We will be using videos and other resources from The Bible Project, and the class will be a discussion-based format facilitated by Grace pastors and staff.

Senior Recognition Sunday

Sunday | May 10 | 9:30 a.m. | Sanctuary

On this special Mother’s Day Sunday, we recognize our graduating seniors as they come to the end of a chapter, and we want to recognize their time with us in various ways!

Summer Saturday Serve

Saturday | May 16 | 10 a.m.–noon

Join us for Cookie Mix Making! We will be gathering in the Welcome Center to assemble cookie and brownie mixes, packed in jars to be shared with the congregation with the invitation to take the mix home, bake the cookies and bring back to bless our VBS volunteers during VBS week, June 8-11.

Better Together Lunch Bunch

MEETS MONTHLY

Monday | May 18 | 11:30 a.m.

la Madeleine, 10001 Westheimer

Let’s have lunch! On the fourth Monday of each month, come and enjoy fellowship and lunch with other women who have lost their spouses. Learn from one another and be uplifted with joy. To receive email reminders, contact Denise Phelps (dphelps@gpch.org or 713-267-5063).

J U N E

Student Hangout Day

Monday | June 1 | 4-6 p.m. | Bahama Bucks on I-10

Come join us for a time of hanging out at Bahama Bucks! Just a random Monday hang for anyone with nothing to do! Come and go as you please! Bring \$\$\$ if you remember!

Encore Older Adult Ministry Day Trip

Thursday | June 4

We are on the go for summer day trips, and there is something for everyone on these outings. Whether seeing the sites in and around Houston, or exploring new venues and activities in and around Texas, this group is living what it means to experience fun and community in the name of Jesus Christ. For more information on this day trip, contact Denise Phelps (dphelps@gpch.org, 713-267-5063).

VBS Kick-Off Party

Sunday | June 7 | 2-5:30 p.m.



Join us for a VBS Kick-Off Party —we’ll have inflatables, snow cones, face painters, balloon artists, and popsicles in the Courtyard before we gather in the Sanctuary for a sneak peek of our VBS music and what we’ll be learning at VBS. We’ll end the night with a family mission project in Massey-Tucker Hall packing meals, just like our Intersect kids will be doing during the week. Tickets are \$5 per person (children under 4 are free). We can’t wait to see you there!



Vacation Bible School

Monday, June 8–Thursday, June 11 | 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Join us for the BEST week of the summer, VBS 2026—
 Treasured! We'll discover that God's greatest treasure isn't
 diamonds or gold—it's us! As we traverse an ancient jungle
 to discover it's lost treasures, kids will learn there's no prize more valuable
 than Jesus and that God treasures each one of us!

Young Adult Summer Splash

Monday | June 8 | 7–8:45 p.m. | 606 Regentview Dr., 77079

Let's kick off the summer together! Join us by the pool for a night of fellow-
 ship, games, and food!

Pray for the High School Mission Trip

June 13-20

The High School Students (rising tenth graders through graduated seniors)
 are traveling all the way to Whitefish, Montana and partnering with our
 great friend and former student minister here, Matt Davis. With Matt, they
 will lead a VBS, evangelize, do some farm work, and more! Pray for all
 involved in this trip as lives are changed and relationships are formed.

Sunday Funday

Sunday | June 14 | 11 a.m.-noon (during Equipping Hour)

Rising kindergarten–third graders will gather with us in The Backyard for
 special themed activities!

Women's Summer Bible Study

Tuesdays | June 16–August 4 | 10 a.m.-noon | MT 201



Join us for our summer Bible study, *Angels: Finding Hope in God
 Who Reigns over Heaven and Earth*, by Melissa Spoelstra.

Throughout the story of the Bible, angels appear to people
 with messages, encouragement, and tangible help. Despite their frequent
 appearance in God's Word, our impression of angels is more often shaped
 by the myths and misconceptions that have developed over the centuries.
 We'll explore what Scripture says about angels—who they are, what they
 do, and what they have to do with you. This Bible study is a call to put your
 hope in the God of angel armies who reigns over heaven and earth!

Family Summer Storytime

Wednesday | June 17 AND June 24 | 10-11 a.m.

Parents and kids are invited to join us in Massey-Tucker Fellowship Hall for
 crafts and activities themed around amazing true stories from the Bible!

Summer Hang at the Hortons

Friday | June 26 | 6:30 p.m.

Join us at Jamie & Thomas Horton's home for a fun night of food, games,
 and fellowship for the whole family! Parents can hang out together while
 our Family Ministries staff hangs out with the kids! Come join the fun!

Young Adult Basketball Night

Saturday | June 27 | 5–7:15 p.m. | Grace School Gym

Whether you're a seasoned player or beginning, join us on for some hoops
 and good hangs.

Better Together Lunch Bunch

MEETS MONTHLY

Monday | June 22 | 11:30 a.m.

la Madeleine, 10001 Westheimer

Let's have lunch! Once a month, come and enjoy fellowship and lunch with
 other women who have lost their spouses. Learn from one another and be
 uplifted with joy. Psalm 30:5b tells us "weeping may stay for the night, but
 rejoicing comes in the morning."

High School Mission Trip Reunion

Tuesday | July 7 | 4-5:30 p.m. | City Centre

Meet us at CityCentre from 4-5:30 and then we will carpool to the High School Pool Party Bible Study! We'll remember the good old days in Montana!

Young Adult Guys Night

Tuesday | July 7 | 7-8:30 p.m.

Popstroke (23110 Grand Circle Blvd., Katy TX)



Grab the bros and join us for a night of golfing fun! No cost to play, but must register by Monday, June 29!

Prayer for Middle School Mission Trip

July 12-16

The Middle School Students (rising seventh graders through graduated eighth graders) will be staying here in Houston to care for our neighbors! They will tentatively be working at nearby organizations such as the Houston Food Bank and WHAM, serving our friends in the neighborhood, and more! Pray for all involved in this trip as lives are changed and relationships are formed.

Family Summer Storytime

Wednesday | July 15 | 10-11 a.m.

Parents and kids are invited to join us in Massey-Tucker Fellowship Hall for crafts and activities themed around amazing true stories from the Bible!

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Sunday Funday

Sunday | July 19 | 11 a.m.-noon (during Equipping Hour)

Rising kindergarten-third graders will gather with us in The Backyard for special themed activities!

Young Adult World Cup Watch Party

Sunday | July 19 | 1-4 p.m. | MT-208

Let's eat some fajitas and watch the FIFA World Cup Final together! Invite family, friends, and come cheer on your team.

Backyard Beach Break

Tuesday | July 21 | 1-4 p.m. | The Backyard



Let us take the kids for a Backyard Beach Break! While you get a breather, lots of fun awaits each age group: Nursery, Preschool, K-third grade, and fourth-fifth grade. Games, music, crafts... it's gonna be a blast! Cost is \$15 per child with limited spots available.

Family Summer Storytime

Wednesday | July 22 | 10-11 a.m.

Parents and kids are invited to join us in Massey-Tucker Fellowship Hall for crafts and activities themed around amazing true stories from the Bible!

Young Adult Flag Football Night

Saturday | July 25 | 6-8:15 p.m. | Grace School Field

Whether you're a seasoned player or beginning, join us for a night of flag football and fun!

Middle School Mission Trip Reunion

Sunday | July 26 | noon-1:30 p.m. | Grace

Lunch at Grace right after Sunday Morning. Let's get together for another hoorah before we forget everything about the trip!

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AUGUST

Student Party @ Hardie's

Saturday | August 1 | The Morgan's Home, 606 Regentview Dr.

This year we will have a boys pre-party and a girls pre-party AND then we will have a combined pre-party. After that, we will party our way to the ultimate middle school and high school pool party of the summer.

Students have rearranged summer plans to be able to attend this event in the past. Hype? Yes. Some surprises in store? Of course. Meet at Grace at 11:30 a.m. (please eat lunch before) and then get picked up from 606 Regentview Dr. at 7 p.m.

Young Adult Community Night

Thursday | August 6 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Come listen to our young adult panel as we discuss topics such as community, loneliness, identity, and more. Then, stay after for our college vs. the oldies volleyball match in Grace School Gym.

Fourth & Fifth Grade Fun Day

Friday | August 7 | 6:30-8 p.m. | Westchester Pool



Rising fourth and fifth graders will kick-off the new school year with a pool party at the Westchester Pool (14703

Chadbourne Dr, 77079) with good food and lots of fun! Come meet our Children's Ministries Team, see your old friends, and make some new friends as we get ready for an awesome year of ministry!

Encore Older Adult Ministry Day Trip

Thursday | August 8

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Activate 2026

Sunday | August 9 | 5 -7 p.m. | Sanctuary

Activate is a night of student-led worship for the entire congregation. We invite everyone to bring their entire family and all their friends to experience evening worship orchestrated by our students. Our hearts were full last year seeing so many, young and old, join together in a night of intergenerational worship, including worshipful activities.

Sunday Funday

Sunday | August 16 | 11 a.m.-noon (during Equipping Hour)

Rising kindergarten—third graders will gather with us in The Backyard for special themed activities!

150th Birthday Celebration

Sunday | August 23

For 150 years, Grace Presbyterian has been a fixture of faith in Houston, and we are going to celebrate. From humble beginnings downtown through today, it's incredible to see how God has moved through this church. We celebrate every milestone and every life changed as we celebrate God's faithfulness, but we're even more excited about what's next. We step into the future with hope and anticipation, ready to see how God will continue to use us in the years to come.

Planning is underway to mark this exciting time in the life of Grace. Watch for details soon, and make sure you are back in town for the party on August 23!

Meet the Ministry Fair

Sunday | August 23 | Following worship

In conjunction with the 150th birthday celebration of Grace on August 23, we will hold the "Meet the Ministry Fair," right after worship on Sunday morning. It is a chance to see all the ways in which God is moving here at Grace. Bring a friend, neighbor, or coworker to show them what Grace has to offer! This time to reconnect after summer travel, and hear the buzz around campus and maybe even have some birthday cake!

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Cub Scout Pack 1040

Pack meetings are at Grace



Back to school is a great time to get your children acquainted with Scouting. Kids kindergarten through fifth grade may join at anytime. The Scouting America membership is good for one year from the day you join and is about \$105. Our Pack dues are \$55 for the year. Follow the link to see our calendar of events and to register.



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Sundays At Grace

9:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

11 a.m. Equipping Hour for children, students, and adults

11:15 a.m. Grace en Español Worship in the Founders' Chapel