

# Welcome

**We are glad you have chosen to attend worship here today. If this is your first time at Grayson United Methodist Church, we'd love your input.**

Please fill out the pew pad with your email address & other contact information. You will receive a 1st Time Guest Survey by email.  
Thank you and once again, Welcome!

## Sermon Series beginning August 9th with Scott Hearn:

It's a new school year and too often we make huge plans and goals then get burned out when we can't keep them. But the truth is, making small, manageable, incremental changes can really add up. When we guard our words, make our thoughts obedient to Christ, and practice new actions, we can reap long-term life change.

Join us for this 5 week series with Scott Hearn.



## Grayson Methodist Preschool:

As a ministry of Grayson UMC, our mission is to provide a quality Pre-school education, in a loving Christian environment. Each child is celebrated as a unique creation of God.

Registration going on NOW for the 2015-2016 School year!

Tours are available Monday - Thursday from 10:00 - 12:00 by appointment today!

Call 770-682-7411 or email us at [gumcpreschool@bellsouth.net](mailto:gumcpreschool@bellsouth.net).



## Mid-week Ministries Resume in August!

- Graysonkids MOVE on Wednesday nights! Starting August 19th at 6:30 pm for Pre-K 3 year olds through 4th Grade. There is a time of worship, play and small group activities. We can't wait to MOVE with you! Sign up online now at [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org) under the Ministry page for Children's K-4.
- LIFT Students 5th - 8th Grade Students Live in Faith Together on Tuesdays! Starting August 18th, join us as we walk from Couch and Bay Creek Middle Schools for worship and a message. McConnell Students, you can catch the GUMC bus! To register online, go to [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org) under the Ministry page for 7th & 8th Grade.
- 9th through 12th Graders take Refuge on Wednesdays! We are kicking off August 19th from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm with the message series: Judgement Call. Join us for Worship. And don't forget the pancake breakfast at 6:00 am each Wednesday in the CLC.
- It's always a good time to join the Choir!
  - ATTITUDE 423 – Our Student Worship Choir for students in grades 6-12 begins YEAR 9 on Sunday afternoon, August 16th, at 4:23 pm in the choir room.
  - Sanctuary Hand Bells – Rehearsals begin Sunday, August 16th at 5:00 pm in the Sanctuary.
  - Chancel Choir - We meet every Wednesday night in the choir room at 7:00 pm.
- Senior Adult Ministries (SAMS): We're for the young at heart and always have a spot for you! Join us for monthly luncheons (third Tuesday of each month) and Coffee & Donuts (first Tuesday of each month). We also gather for Monday Bible Study, Mondays at 10:00 am. Join us!

## Connect with an Adult Class on Wednesdays:

**Check out the list of classes beginning Wednesday, August 19th at 6:30 pm. If you see a class that interests you, stop by the Welcome Center today or go to [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org) to register.**

- **More Than a Carpenter with Scott Hearn** (August 19th—November 18th)  
In no other place has God more clearly revealed Himself to the world than in the person of Jesus of Nazareth. His life, death and resurrection are the very foundation of Christianity. But who was this person Jesus? What was unique about Him? What was central to His identity? What did He teach? What did He do? How did He live out His brief 33 years on earth? Whether you are a life-long Christian or new to the faith or have a lot of questions, join Pastor Scott for this 12-week class as we study together the classic book, **More Than a Carpenter**. Books will be available two weeks prior to class for \$3.00.
- **Lead Like Jesus with LaChelle Neudorfer** (August 19th—September 30th)  
With simple principles from the life of Jesus and dozens of stories and leadership examples from his life experiences, veteran author, speaker and leadership expert Ken Blanchard guides readers through the process of discovering how to lead like Jesus. He describes it as the process of aligning two internal domains-the heart and the head-and two external domains-the hands and the habits. These four dimensions of leadership form the outline for this very practical and transformational book.
- **Mere Christianity with Chris Snowden** (August 19th—September 30th)  
Considered a seminal work in Christian Apologetics, C.S. Lewis makes the case for the Christian faith in an extremely well supported and reasonable fashion. He connects the case for the Christian faith with the ethical behavior implications that accompany acceptance of the Christian faith. If you are a fan of C.S. Lewis and have not experienced this work, you are in for a treat. If you are curious about Christian apologetics and have an ear for a philosophical sort of view, you are also in for a treat. The class will feature weekly reading, facilitated discussion and open discussion within the group.
- **The Shack with Jennifer Barber Lawrence** (August 19th—November 18th)  
Join us to learn, through one man's tragedy, about the Holy Trinity and how each one is just as important and needed for each aspect of our lives. The Shack is a one of a kind invitation that will usher you directly into the heart and nature of God in the midst of agonizing human suffering. This amazing story will challenge you to consider the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in more expansive terms that you may have ever dreamed.

## Reach Up Recreation:



**Go to the Sports and Recreation Page of [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org) to register. Cost is \$80 per player until August 11th.**

Want to stay connected with what's next for recreation? Like us on Facebook: *Grayson UMC Reach Up Recreation*

**For more information, go to [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org)**



News This Week:

- **Invite Someone to Connect this Fall!**  
It sure is hot outside! What better way to connect to someone than by offering them a bottle of water. Pick up a CONNECT bottle on your way out today then give it to someone and invite them to church! Let’s CONNECT to the community this fall!
- **End of Summer Bash: Jump Street for kids through 4th Grade:**  
Calling all GUMC Kids! Join us for our End-of-the-Summer Bash on Wednesday, August 5th, as we head to Jump Street Indoor Trampoline Park! We’ll leave the church at 9:15 am and return by 12:30 pm. We will NOT eat lunch, so please eat a good breakfast before you come! They do have vending machines (that are cash only) for snacks. The cost is \$12.00 per child plus any snack money you may want to send. Children under the age of 3 are \$4.00. RSVP to Katie Atcheson at [katie@graysonumc.org](mailto:katie@graysonumc.org) by Wednesday, July 29th.
- **LIFT Ministry Parent Night (5th—8th Graders)**
  - **Back 2 School (August 14th)** - \$25 at Stars & Strikes from 6:00 pm-10:00 pm. We’ll have bowling, arcade, laser tag, food, and fellowship. Deadline to register is Sunday, August 9th, on the Ministry page for 9th—12th Grade at [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org).
  - **Annual Fall Retreat (Sept. 4-7)** - \$160 \*\*\*Price Reduction\*\*\* includes all meals, lodging, and activities. We’ll head to New Frontiers in Dowelltown, TN over Labor Day weekend. Students will have an opportunity to build deeper relationships with friends and God plus go on High Ropes Courses and a Giant Swing. The deadline to register is Wednesday, August 26th, on the Ministry page for 9th-12th Grade at [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org).
- **MUSIC News**  
I know that it’s HOT HOT HOT! But we’re already getting ready for cooler weather. The Christmas music is here! Watch for a special announcement about when we’ll listen to it . . . we’d love for you to join the choir . . . Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the choir room!
- **Senior Adult Ministries (SAMS)**
  - Mark your calendars: SAMS Mystery Trip – Thursday, July 30th. Sign up on the Senior Adult Bulletin Board in the Sanctuary Hallway! You just show up at 9:00 am and enjoy a fun-filled day!
  - Our Fall SAMS Trip is set for September 14-16th to Myrtle Beach, SC. The cost is \$200 for three days of fun, food, and fellowship. Pick up an itinerary and registration form on the Senior Adult Table in the Sanctuary Hall. The registration deadline is August 12th.
- **Upcoming Marriage Retreat**  
Join us for an upcoming Marriage Retreat Weekend, November 13th through 15th at Lake Junaluska, NC. Cost is \$250 per couple and includes hotel and 4 meals. You can pay in full at registration or in monthly payments in July, August, or September. We have scheduled 4 teaching sessions, a free afternoon to explore or rest, and a game night party. We hope you will join us for this time away! Make your marriage a priority!  
**For more information, go to the What’s Happening Now page of [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org).**

This Week’s Events

**Sunday, July 26, 2015**  
**Monday, July 27, 2015**  
TKD (PLC) 6:00 pm  
Christian Yoga (CLC) 6:30 pm  
**Tuesday, July 28, 2015**  
Christian Yoga (CLC) 10:00 am  
**Wednesday, July 29, 2015**  
Soccer Skills Club age 7-11 (Field) 6:00 pm  
Soccer Skills Club age 12 and up (Field) 7:00 pm  
Chancel Choir (Choir Room) 7:00 pm  
**Thursday, July 30, 2015**  
Christian Yoga (CLC) 6:30 pm  
TKD (PLC) 7:00 pm  
**Friday, July 31, 2015**  
Red Cross Blood Drive (CLC) starts at 1pm  
**Saturday, August 1, 2015**  
Beth Moore: Breath (Room 2) 9:00 am  
TKD (PLC) 9:30 am

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

**Pat Mayer’s father** - has moved to rehab where he’ll stay for 4 weeks before returning home. Continued prayers are appreciated.  
**Danny and Sandra Hurst’s grandson, CJ** - continued prayers appreciated.  
**Debbie Morgan** - is recovering from surgery on Tuesday.  
**Troy Tignor** - is in Eastside recovering from pneumonia.  
**Helen Pirkle’s mother** - in Eastside. Continued prayers are appreciated.

**Will and Logan Nobles** welcomed a son, Paxton, last Saturday. Paxton weighed in at 7lbs, 12oz, and 20 inches long. Everyone is home and doing well. Happy birthday, Paxton!

Continued prayers go to **Parks Henderson, Paul Black, Elanor Brunot, Alison Twohig, Peggy Jones, Kay Ramey, and Jim Watson.**

To view the full prayer list, go to [graysonumc.org](http://graysonumc.org).

Our Giving	07/19/15
General Budget Needed Each Week	\$26,382
General Budget Given Last Week	\$16,155
General Budget Given Year to Date	\$671,466
Giving to the Building Fund	\$80
Missions 2015	\$957
Attendance in Sunday Worship (07/19/15) 440	

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