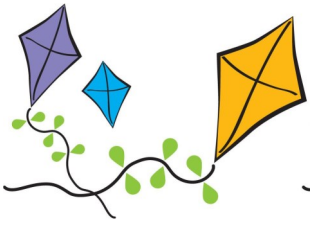


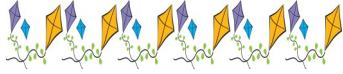
Beginning June 12

Sunday morning
worship will begin
at 10:00 a.m.

(through
September 4).



"Connection"



June 5

Pentecost

Graduate Recognition

"Tables"

Acts 2: 1-13



June 12

SUMMER WORSHIP
AT 10AM BEGINS

Trinity Sunday

Peace with Justice Sunday

*"The Things That Are to
Come"*

John 16: 5-15



June 19

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Father's Day

Juneteenth

Luke 5: 17-26

Emma Rahn, Guest



June 26

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

ASP Commissioning

"Concerning Hitchhikers"

Luke 9: 51-62



"Strive for the A"

A few years ago, I initiated a church program called "Strive for the A." It was a program that challenged people to strive toward a 90% or higher worship attendance during the year. You'll remember, a 90% or higher was an "A" on a report card, right? That said, no one at the church was keeping official record or sending out report cards, nor was the point to dredge up repressed anxious memories of grade school marking periods, or anything like that. It was simply to encourage regular worship attendance. And so, let me issue the same challenge for the remainder of 2022. Strive for the A!

Some Things to Know:

- Life happens to each one of us! And you know what I mean by "life." And so, don't put an unrealistic expectation on yourself to have *perfect attendance*. Would it be nice? Sure! Is it practical? Probably not. And so, don't think that a church usher will show up on your porch if you miss a Sunday or anything like that. This is an encouragement – not a law.
- Don't forget that you can still worship with us online. Now, I know that worshipping online just isn't the same thing as being in-person. Of course it's not! But it still counts! But gone are the days of having to feel fully disengaged from the church on Sundays when we're sick or out of town. Remember that you can always worship with us live at 9am on Sundays on our YouTube channel, or throughout the week, any time after that!
- Even though you don't have to actually track your worship attendance (in-person or online), I would encourage you to do so anyway. Whether it's on the notes app on your phone, on a calendar, or even just a piece of paper or notebook, tracking it can help you realize the difference it makes in your life.

Why Should I Strive for the A? *(you may or may not be asking that question, but just go with me...)*

- First and foremost, community (or congregational) worship is an extremely important part of who we are as Christians and what we do. It is about celebrating our God who loves us more than we can ever fully understand. Worship isn't something we should feel we *have* to do. Rather, the goal is that we come to experience worship as something we *want* to do. That said, building a routine around worship can be very helpful. Some days will require a bit more self-motivation than others, but I've never regretted going to worship.
- Worship is kind of like charging your phone at the end of the day. Sunday worship helps us feel recharged with God's Spirit. Worship helps us to reconnect with God – plug-in, if you will. When you make worship a regular part of your weekly routine, you'll start to notice, even more, when you miss a Sunday. It's much like forgetting to charge your phone at night. The week just starts off...well, off!
- I (Pastor Brian) will be sad if you don't *strive for the A*. Okay, I won't be sad, per se, but I really do hope that you will make worship a regular part of your and your family's weekly life. My job – my goal - is to help lead people on their faith journey with Christ. Worship is one of the ways that I can do that, and so I take worship very seriously. In planning worship, I typically plan about 6-12 months in advance, not so that I can brag about that, but so that I can create a big picture blueprint, if you will, for how we're going to grow in our discipleship through worship. Each Sunday is carefully planned with a theme that builds on top of previous weeks, and lays the foundation for weeks and months to come. Now, let me be clear: *don't come for me!* Come and worship because it is through worship that we come closer to God in Christ, and discover God's call on our lives to live as disciples of Jesus Christ.

And so, will you join me as, together, we *strive for the A*?
Peace, Pastor Brian

In
our
prayers



FOR THE HOMEBOUND:

Marge Berryman
Eleanor Hall

OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Donna Brookins
Dennis Brudnak
Eric Campbell
Roma Corey
Cheryl Cottrell
Lisa England
Paul Manning
Eileen Scott
Norma Stanbury

FOR OTHERS:

Emily Abbott
Erin Arbabha
Hudson Bennett
Nancy Bilas
Kim Brown
Roger Carter
Tony Conklin
Charlie Cook
Patricia Crawfis
Betty Crawford
Shelia Dirrim
Betsy Fisher
Judy Fisher
Alea Gardner
Wendell Griffus
Emily Harder

Dave Jones
Sherry Jurva
Andrea King
Jeffrey King
Jay Latimer
Kathy Latimer
Barb Lott
Doug Lott
Lisa McGehee
Bill Mortimer
Duane Peruski
Jennifer Prim
Eleanor Smith
Bettie Stach
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Jeanne Dobes

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Linden, MI 48451



We extend our deepest sympathy to:

- ~ the family and friends of Adella Loughheed, who passed away on April 23. Adella is Susie Hagenstein's sister.
- ~ the family and friends of Judy Fisher, who passed away on May 2. Judy is Gina Briscoe's sister
- ~ the family and friends of Cheryl Billings. Cheryl passed away on May 18.
- ~ the family and friends of Lee Jackson. Lee passed away on May 23.



We have started up our Card Ministry again! Please take a moment to stop by the bulletin board in the hallway outside of the office. You will find a variety of cards that you are welcome to help yourself to, or feel free to use a card that you might have at home. Then, if you would, please tear off the name and address of someone on our list and send them a card! So easy, anyone can do it! Please contact Carol Cerny or the church office, if you have any questions.

Pastor Brian will be pausing his membership classes for the Summer. Don't miss the next opportunity to learn more about GBUMC and possibly become a member on Sunday, September 18, 2022!

Peace with Justice Sunday



On June 12th we will celebrate Peace with Justice Sunday which is one of six special Sunday offerings in the United Methodist Church. Our gifts support ministries in the annual conference and internationally.

When you support Peace with Justice Sunday, your gift becomes a voice for advocacy around the world. Together we are an agent of change that shifts systems of inequality to empower people and communities; making it possible to plant new seeds of peace with justice in God's garden of creation. There are many programs supported by this offering including providing sustainable organic healthy foods; helping youth recover from substance abuse through education and rehabilitation; and offering laundry services to homeless families just to name a few.

Half of the offering goes to Peace with Justice ministries in the annual conference. The remainder assists the General Board of Church and Society for its Peace with Justice efforts.

Please give generously to This international Mission.



Congratulations to our 2022 Graduates!



Lauren Rice is a 2022 Graduate of Kearsley High School. She graduated 3rd in her class and is the top student from Kearsley in the Metro Academic Honors for combined GPA and SAT Score. She was in the National Honor's Society and the Drum Major for the marching band. She plans to attend Central Michigan University to study Journalism and Political Science. She

enjoys reading, playing the piano, and going on trips to explore what the world has to offer. She's been attending Grand Blanc UMC since she was born and was confirmed in 2018. Her volunteer work has been an important part of her life from cracking eggs at the soup kitchen to working with the Area 13 Special Olympics Cycling team and the Kearsley Theater Group. She plans to attend ASP this summer. Thank you for supporting her all these years, it has meant a lot to all of us. Her open house will be at GBUMC on June 11th.

Jenna Sanborn is a 2022

Graduate of Grand Blanc High School. The past four years of high school have been both rewarding and challenging living the majority of her high school career affected by the COVID restrictions. Jenna has been involved with HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America), played lacrosse for the Grand Blanc High School team, and worked a part-time job while maintaining a GPA of 3.9. Jenna's plans after high school are to attend Grand Rapids Community College and then transfer to Grand Valley State University to become a Nurse Practitioner.



Riley Johnston is a 2022 Graduate of Grand Blanc High School where she was on the Varsity Tennis Team, all 4 years. During High School, Riley was very active in Young Life. She participated in community service projects and camps for Young Life too. Riley will be majoring in Exercise Science and Media Production while attending Calvin University. She will also be playing tennis at Calvin.



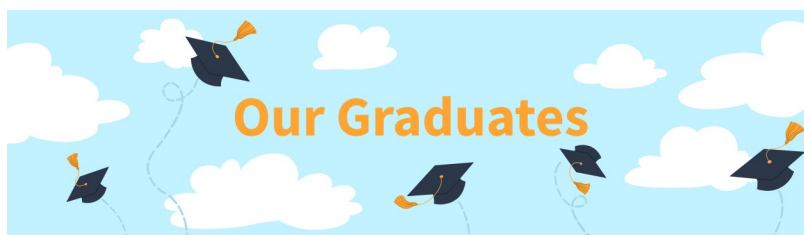
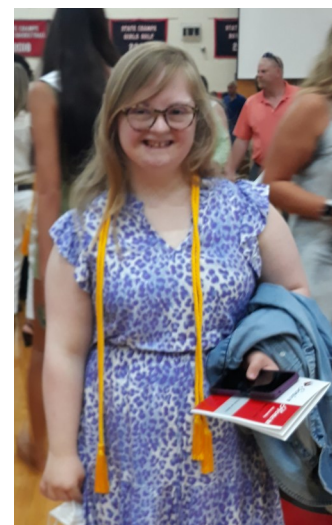
Karl Martin is a 2022 Graduate of Grand Blanc High School. Karl has concentrated on auto shop at the high school and diesel at the skill center. Karl plans to work toward a certificate as a diesel technician at Baker College in Owosso and plans to work to put himself through college.

Chloe Fiona Haggerty

graduates from Grand Blanc High School with honors this year.

Chloe was mainstreamed from kindergarten to senior year. She was active in choir, drama, Unified basketball, cycling and bowling. She went to State level competitions for bowling and cycling. She is the 2021 Grand Blanc Homecoming Queen. She will graduate with a 3.70. In the Fall, Chloe will continue her

education and also participate in Mi. Rehab Services on job sites. Congratulations Chloe on a job well done!





Congratulations to our 2022 Graduates!



Becky Dick

I attended Grand Blanc High School until halfway through ninth grade. While I was there, I met my boyfriend, Jake, but we didn't start dating until last December. After leaving public school, I used the online school, Excel. Recently, I've been using Brilliant.org.

I don't have a dream career, and I have no current college plans, but I shall never stop learning. This Summer, I will be going on the ASP trip. And this Fall, I will begin

singing with Common Grace. I like making art. I'm interested in growing flowers and edible plants. I'm kind, and I'm full of wisdom. I plan to manifest World Peace. I am a light worker. That means I spread sunshine wherever I go. I am grateful for my life.

Gavin Norris

During high school, Gavin played football for two years as a Wide Receiver. He also was a member of the Grand Blanc High School Bowling team. During his bowling career, he was part of three JV Conference Championships and earned the JV State Individual Bowling Championship in 2020.

Gavin will be attending Davenport University in the fall with academic and athletic scholarships. He will be part of the Davenport Bowling team and will be studying business.



Connor Seaman is a 2022 graduate of Grand Blanc High School. Connor is hard working and has worked in the kitchen at Puzzlers Pub in Burton since he was 16. Connor will be moving to East Lansing in the Fall where he will attend Lansing Community College.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COLLEGE GRADUATES!

Danielle Rossman

Michigan State University
Ph.D. in Higher, Adult and Lifelong Learning
Dissertation: The Impact of Social Class on Students' Pre-College Perceptions of Co-Curricular Involvement

Thomas Cook

Syracuse University
Master's in Broadcasting and Media Journalism

Melanie Fiederlein

Michigan State University
Bachelor of Science in Advertising Management with a minor in Graphic Design

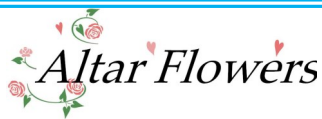
Julia Greenlees

Michigan State University
Bachelor of Science in Biological Science for Secondary Education

Alexis Trinidad

Wayne State University
Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice with a Minor in Forensics





06/05 Rice
06/12 Rice
06/19 Anonymous
06/26 Rahn

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board next to the prayer room, or feel free to call or email the office to order flowers for the Sunday of your choice. Flower arrangements are \$15.00 each from Grand Blanc Florist and you may take them home following the 11:00am worship service. Your name and who the arrangement is in honor/memory of will be listed in the Sunday bulletin.



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthday Wishes

3rd Val Dutton, Abby Manning
5th Eric Campbell, Jason Roberts
6th Nan Rahn
8th Melinda Elmore-Hajek
10th Shawn Rimmell
11th Marylee Hubel
14th Laynita Allen,
Cameron Herrmann,
Jim Scrimger (80)
16th Nancy Bigler, Barbara Heberling
17th Amanda Fraile, Maggie Stafford
18th Andrew Koerke, Greg Reigle,
Kai Seaman, Etta Skinner
19th Mackenzie Bruce
24th Laurie Dick, Marcia Fraile
25th Donna Brookins, Judy Gratsch,
Gail Lutton, Beverly Martin
26th Ralph Cribbs (88), Nancy Petrie
27th Gary Gratsch, Trevor Phillips
29th Emma Fiederlein,
Marilyn Horton (82),
James Owens (83),
Eleanor Poole (90),
Virginia Sullivan (82)
30th Lilly Brinn

Anniversary Blessings

2nd Judy & Gary Gratsch (43)
Katie & Ken Zahrt
4th Barbara & Mike Heberling (45)
5th Deb & Dan Carvill (40)
Sandy & Todd Sandrock (40)
8th Shelly & Brian Rice
9th Dorothy & Roger Colby (55)
Colleen & Ron Fitch (50)
10th Julie & Bob Koerke (33)
11th Linda & Greg Reigle
12th RaeAnn & Bernie Waisanen (40)
13th Jessica & Jim Smith
14th Mixsy & Alex Trinidad (25)
16th Carrie & Jody Church
17th Celia & Duane Southworth (44)
21st Susie & Henry Hagenstein (47)
22nd Kristin & Nathan Rahn (20)
28th Gretchen & Tony Jablonski (25)

Our Summer Worship Schedule will begin on Sunday, June 12, 2022. We will have one worship service at 10:00a.m. through Sunday, September 4, 2022. The last Sunday of June and July we will worship in the Memorial Garden, weather permitting. The last Sunday of August, we will **Worship in the Park!**

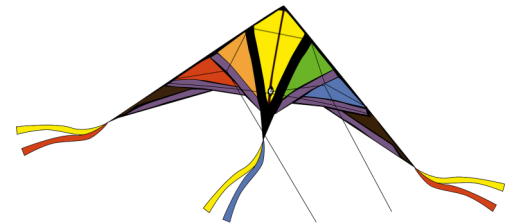


11:00am Worship Ushers

1st Sunday Jim Wise
2nd Sunday Virginia Sullivan
3rd Sunday Bob & Barb Mills
4th Sunday Gary Bendall

COUNTERS

06/05 Tom Cerny, Jim Wise
06/12 Jim Bunker, Tom Cerny
06/19 Carol Capell, Ron Blakemore
06/26 Jessica Smith, Carol Cerny



Pastor Brian's Drop-In Bible Study has finished the book of Exodus!!

Join them when they resume in September and they start taking a closer look at one of the Gospels!

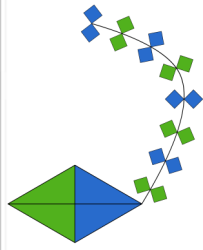
Grand Blanc United Methodist Church
Building and Roof Mortgage Summary

MORTGAGE BALANCE (as of 03-31-22)

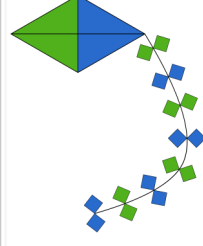
Mortgage Balance with UMF = \$137,249.17






Mortgage Reserve Fund Balance (as of 03-31-22) = \$12,209.52

Roof Reserve Fund Balance (as of 03-31-22) = \$16,484.90



JUNE 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			10a Prayer Group 10a Prayer Shawl 1	9a Just Finish It! 2	10a Men's Coffee 3 7p Al Anon	10a O.A. 10a Yoga 4
5 GRADUATE RECOGNITION COMMUNION 9a Gathering in the Spirit 11a Traditional Worship Noon ASP Const. Train.	6 6p Outreach 7p Ad Council via Zoom	7 10a Pastor @ Panera 10a Yoga 6:30p Yoga	10a Prayer Group 10a Prayer Shawl 8	9	10a Men's Coffee 10 7p Al Anon	FELLOWSHIP HALL IN USE 10a O.A. 11
12 10a SUMMER WORSHIP	13	14 10a Pastor @ Panera 10a Yoga 6:30p Yoga	10a Prayer Shawl 10a Prayer Group 15	9a Just Finish It! 16	10a Men's Coffee 17 7p Al Anon	10a O.A. 10a Yoga 11a Lois Hubler Memorial Service 18
19 FATHER'S DAY! 10a Summer Worship	20	21 10a Pastor @ Panera 10a Yoga 6:30p Yoga 7p Education via Zoom	10a Prayer Group 10a Prayer Shawl 22	23	10a Men's Coffee 24 7p Al Anon	10a O.A. 10a Yoga 25
26 ASP COMMISSIONING 10a Summer Worship	27	28 10a Pastor @ Panera 10a Yoga 6:30p Yoga	29	Noon Summer Study/ Movie 30		

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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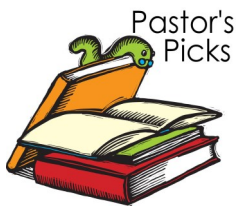
Pastor's Picks!

Each month Pastor Brian will be offering his "Pastor's Picks." He will offer a book recommendation. This book could be one that he is highlighting in his sermon series, one that goes with the current church season, or one that is just a good book to read. In addition, he will be "picking" a video too. These videos can be viewed for free using Amplify Media (see the article below on how to use Amplify Media). Hope you enjoy.

June 2022 picks:

Book:

"I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness"
By Austin Channing Brown



Video:

"Building Bridges"
By Stephen Handy & Jacob Armstrong
5 short videos



NOW
Available



Have you checked out Amplify yet?
Amplify is a multimedia platform, like NETFLIX, but with thousands of Christian videos you can use for study, reflection, worship and inspiration. I will be including different Lenten suggestions in the weekly church emails.

Amplify has videos that can be used in your small groups, Bible studies and, of course, in your own personal faith journey. You can access all these videos anytime and on almost any device, including on your TV using Roku.

To access your **FREE** Amplify account, just follow these simple steps:

Go to: <https://my.amplifymedia.com>

Enter our Access Code: **pzybyg**

(You will be asked to create your own login name and password)

If you have any questions, our church Amplify team is here to help. Feel free to get in touch with me and I will be more than happy to answer any questions.

We will be recognizing our 2022 high school graduates during both worship services on Sunday, June 5, 2022.

There will be a special breakfast for the graduates and their families between services in Fellowship Hall.



Sunday School will resume in September.

Summer Fun!!

Our version of "VBS" will be held on
July 13, 20 & 27.

More details to come!!!

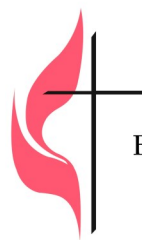
Watch future newsletters, announcements and emails.

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Gary Brandt, 9:00 Music Director/Director of Common Grace
Nancy Petrie, Bell Choir Director



GRAND BLANC UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FRIENDS IN CHRIST EXERCISING
LOVE, HOPE AND GRACE TO
ENRICH ALL LIVES



Summer Movies & Faith

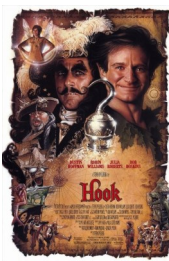
Join Pastor Brian and other movie-goers at Grand Blanc UMC for a Summer series of movies, conversation, and learning.

Join us at Noon, bring your own lunch to enjoy, and we'll enjoy each movie together with great conversation!



Thursday,
June 30th
**Groundhog
Day**

Thursday,
July 21st
Unbroken



Thursday,
August 11th
Hook



This Summer, beginning June 13th, you are invited to participate in The Summer Gospel Challenge here at Grand Blanc UMC. Pick up a Summer Gospel Challenge journal at the church, (if you are unable to pick one up at the church, please let us know) and start reading! Just one chapter a day, and you'll have read all four Gospels! To make a great thing even better, turn in your completed Summer Gospel Challenge journal at the end of summer, and be entered into a drawing for a special treat!



Appalachia

Please join us on Sunday, June 26, during the 10:00 a.m. worship service, as SERVICE PROJECT® we commission our 18 mission trip volunteers!

Early in the morning hours of Sunday, July 3, our volunteers will get into vans and drive to Harlan County, Kentucky. Please keep our teams in your prayers as they work throughout the week of July 4 through July 8 to help make homes in Appalachia Warmer, Safer, and Drier.

The poverty rate in Central Appalachia is one of the highest in the country. Appalachia Service Project envisions the eradication of substandard housing in Central Appalachia and the transformation of everyone who comes in contact with this ministry.

We will be offering our postcard fundraiser on Sunday, June 26. For your generous donation of \$30.00 per postcard you can have the volunteer of your choice write to you while they are on this mission trip!

Thank you for your continued support of this amazing, life changing opportunity.

ASP 2022