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# THE BEACON

December 2025 Newsletter

## MERRY CHRISTMAS, HARVEST CHURCH!

As we welcome December, the enchanting snowfall gently covers our surroundings, transforming our world into a winter wonderland and perfectly setting the scene for this special season of celebration. In moments like these, we are reminded of the beauty and grace that surrounds us. Ephesians 2:8-9 beautifully captures the essence of our faith: "For it is by grace you have been saved through faith, and this not from yourselves; it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast."

This scripture is not just a verse; it is a powerful invitation into the heart of God's love and mercy. The truth it holds is transformative, urging us to reflect deeply on our reliance for salvation. In the hustle and bustle of life, it's easy to fall into the trap of thinking that our worth is tied to our accomplishments or the good we do. But let us pause and truly consider: Are we leaning on our works, or are we fully resting in the unmerited grace of God through faith in Jesus Christ?

This season, let's embrace the truth that we have nothing to contribute on our own. We are called to cast ourselves into the arms of grace, to surrender our burdens, our fears, and our doubts. In this surrender, we discover the depth of God's love — a love that sent His only Son into our world, born in the humblest of circumstances, to share light and hope with all humanity.

There is no greater story than the one we celebrate during Christmas — the birth of our Savior. It's a narrative that speaks of love, redemption, and the joy that comes from knowing we are never alone. Let your heart be filled with the wonder of that first Christmas night and the promise it brings.



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As we gather together, let's commit ourselves to sharing this message of hope and grace, not just within our walls but extending it outwards into our communities. Let us be a beacon of light, reflecting the love of Christ in our actions and our words. We have such a beautiful opportunity to invite others into this story — to help them know God and to make Him known.

This Christmas, I pray that each of you feels the warmth of God's love wrapping around you like a cozy blanket on a chilly night. You are a cherished part of this community, and together, we can share the unfathomable joy that comes from knowing Him. Let's celebrate with hearts full of gratitude and a spirit eager to serve. May your days be filled with joy, peace, and the profound blessing of His grace.

With love and blessings,  
Pastor Josh



# Advent Luncheons

DECEMBER 3RD, 11:30 A.M.

DECEMBER 10TH, 11:30 A.M.

DECEMBER 17TH, 11:30 A.M.

## At the Methodist Church

### Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

Friday, December 5th - 9:00 a.m. to noon

Friday, December 12th - 9:00 a.m. to noon

Tuesday, December 16th - 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Friday, December 19th - 9:00 a.m. to noon

Tuesday, December 23rd - 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sign up under the blackboard!

# Little Light of Mine Caroling

Dec. 6th  
6-7 p.m.

Join us again this year as we sing and pass out candy canes to visitors at Mikkelsen Park. Please donate mini candy canes, if you can!



**Please bring your  
gifts back to the  
church by  
December 7th,  
along with the tag.  
Thank you for  
helping our  
community!**

# Ecumenical Christmas Program

December 7th  
1:30 p.m.  
Methodist Church

Join us as we come together with local  
churches to celebrate the birth of our Savior!

# Harvest Church Chili Cook-Off and Caroling!

Sunday, December 14th starting at 4:00 p.m.

# Christmas Program

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Sunday, December 21st at 5:00 p.m.

Join us for supper after the program!

— Presented by Our Harvest Youth —

Join Harvest Church for

# Christmas

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December 24TH  
5:00 P.M.

# Bake Sale

we raised \$650.00 for the new hampton food pantry at our bake sale on november 8th!



## KID'S MINISTRY NURSERY

DECEMBER 7TH - KAIDENCE  
DECEMBER 14TH - LINDA

DECEMBER 21ST - LEANNA  
DECEMBER 28TH - CHRISTINE

## KID'S CHURCH

DEC. 7TH - RACHEL (LEADER), BARB (HELPER)  
DEC. 14TH - ERICA (LEADER), KRAY (HELPER)

DEC. 21ST - ASHELY (LEADER), VANESSA (HELPER)  
DEC. 28TH - TERESA (LEADER) ANDREA (HELPER)



# Grace Marriage®

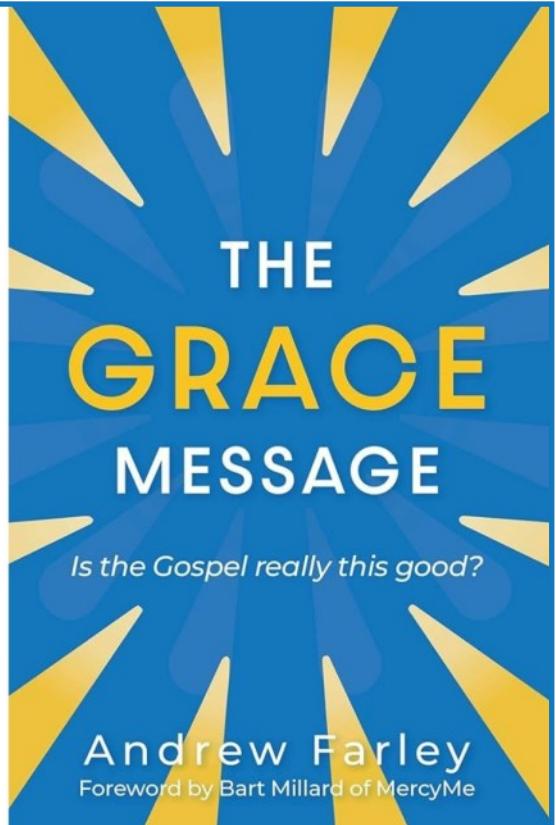
Wednesday  
December 10th  
6:00 pm

Grace Marriage takes place the 2nd Wednesday of the month. We will not have our book study that night.

## BOOK STUDY

WEDNESDAYS  
6:00 P.M.  
@ HARVEST CHURCH

WE WILL MEET WEEKLY EXCEPT FOR THE 2ND WEEK OF  
THE MONTH WHEN THE MARRIAGE GROUP MEETS.



## Happy Birthday!

December 1st - Roger Stansbery

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December 4th - Bret Brecunier

December 23rd - Barb Sauser

December 28th - Steve Jons

## Happy Anniversary!

Todd & Shirlee Becker - December 27th

Nate & Julie Schwickerath - December 30th

## December Greeter Team

December 7th - Rachel & Christine

December 14th - Chuck & Jane

December 21st - Rod & Lisa

December 28th - Lynette & Bonnie

If you are unable to greet, please find someone else to take your place, talk to Christine Knoll

Remember: if you're in Sunday School to leave 10 minutes early to be at the entry on time.

# DECEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 11:30 a.m. Advent Luncheon 5:00 p.m. Supper 6:00 p.m. Book Study (children's classes offered!)	4	5	6 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. <b>Caroling at Mikkelsen Park</b> 
7 8:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 1:30 p.m. Ecumenical Christmas Program	8 9 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Klunder's 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Poor Richard's	10 11:30 a.m. Advent Luncheon 6:00 P.M. <b>grace.marriage</b> -No book study -Childcare for marriage class participants available	11	12	13	
14 8:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service <b>4:00 p.m. Chili Cook-Off &amp; Caroling</b>	15 16 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Klunder's 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Poor Richard's	17 11:30 a.m. Advent Luncheon 5:00 p.m. Supper 6:00 p.m. Book Study (children's classes offered!)	18	19	20	
21 8:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service <b>5:00 p.m. Harvest Kids Christmas Program</b>	22 23 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Klunder's 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Poor	24 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service 	25  	26	27	
28 8:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service	29 30 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Klunder's 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Poor	31 No Classes <b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b>				