HAPPENING TODAY

SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES, 9:00 AM

Adults:

"New Testament Survey" — Upper Fellowship Room "Foundations of Grace" — Lower Fellowship Room Jr./Sr. High:

"Exodus" — Youth Room

Children: Ages 3-5th grade, meet on 3rd floor

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE, 9:55 AM-10:20 AM FELLOWSHIP TIME, 10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE, 10:30 AM FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER & MUSICAL, 5:00 PM

THIS WEEK...

WEDNESDAY

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 6:00 pm

THURSDAY

Merry Christmas!
Church Office Closed

NO MID-WEEK MINISTRIES

Childcare for infants to 3 years old is available during all services.

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PASTORAL STAFF

Dave Emmons, Senior Pastor Caleb Purdy, Associate Pastor Matt Weir, Associate Pastor

Elders:

Burf Bowman, Dave Emmons, Jim Estes, Tim Masters, Caleb Purdy, John Syracuse, Dave Talladay, Pat Weidel, Matt Weir, Walt Whitenight

Deacons:

Jim Bachman, Dean Davis, Herb DeLine, Nate Duxbury, Seth Joseph, Nick Kaszuba, Ron Malone, Seth Muck, Dave Pendino, Jason Poeller, JD Seiler, Bill Stevenson, Jim Weber



Grace Notes

A weekly newsletter of happenings at Grace Bible Church
December 21, 2025

The People of God, Under the Word of God, Doing the Will of God, All for the Glory of God.



FOR OUR VISITORS

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!

We would love to get to know you! Please take some time to fill out the information below, tear off and drop it in the offering plate. If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by our Welcome Center for more information about GBC and receive a special gift. You may also scan the QR code below to tell us about yourself or leave a note about your visit. We hope you were blessed by your worship time today!

CHECK US OUT ON SOCIAL MEDIA:

WEBSITE: www.gbcnewfane.com

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Grace Bible Church, Newfane

Today's Date:
Your Name:
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SCAN HERE TO CONNECT AND TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF!

INFORMATION & EVENTS

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

FOUNDATIONS OF GRACE

Held in the Lower Fellowship Room.

NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

Held in the Upper Fellowship Room.

SCHEDULING CHANGES

No Sunday School or Fellowship Time on December 28 & January 4. No Children's Church on December 28 & January 4. No mid-week ministries on December 24, 25, 31 & January 1. This includes Grace Kids, Jr. & Sr. High ministries & Bible study.

GBC FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER & MUSICAL

Tonight, 5:00 pm

Join us for our Family Christmas Dinner & Kids Christmas Musical. We will eat in the gym promptly at 5 pm, and then enjoy the musical in the worship center.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

This Wednesday, December 24, 6:00 pm - Worship Center

GRACE STUDENTS SNOW CAMP

January 23-25, 2026 at Bethany Camp

Registration is open! You may register online by going to: www.gbcnewfane.com/gracestudents or fill out a form located at the Welcome Center. Contact Pastor Caleb for more information.

CHRISTMAS CARD BINS

We have a table with alphabetized Christmas card containers set up in the Worship Center for those of you who would like to bring in Christmas cards for people in our church family that attend services here. Please remember to check these bins to pick up any cards addressed to you. Thanks!

STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT

Each year, we look to bless our staff with an extra giving Christmas gift to celebrate the birth of our Savior. If you would like to give toward this gift, please use the specially marked envelope and place it in the offering plate, designate under "staff Christmas" for online giving, or give your gift directly to an Elder. (listed in this bulletin).

COAT/MITTEN DRIVE FOR NIAGARA GOSPEL MISSION

We have a bin set up in the foyer to collect gently used or new coats, gloves, scarves, socks & hats for men, women and children for the Niagara Gospel Mission.

MISSION FOCUS

Bill Whitmore serving with Good New Global, Niagara County Bill recounts an event during a recent Bible study in the Pods (housing area). An inmate. Joe, approached Bill and inquired about Bible study and Bill invited him to the study that was about to begin. In the study, Joe asked for a Bible which he received. They were in Luke 1. Joe had many questions during the study. Bill states, "halfway through the Bible study after answering all Joe's questions, I felt led to pause and clearly explain the Gospel message to all in attendance. After doing so, Joe started to say, 'I want to know God now. I want to do that (make a decision to trust in Jesus Christ for salvation).' I responded by saying 'well if you want to make that decision I can lead you in a prayer to trust in Christ.' I explained that it isn't the prayer that will save him but instead his faith in Jesus Christ which is expressed through prayer. Joe made that decision but additionally so did another inmate named Henry! Afterward, Joe seemed to have a sense of joy and gladness about him and Henry said these words regarding himself, 'I feel different. I feel light, like something has been removed or lifted off of me. I feel peace, like I have no stress at all.' I was amazed and encouraged to hear and see all that the Lord did in the lives of these two incarcerated individuals in particular as He intervened in a Bible study behind bars. Praise God for his redeeming work in the lives of these men."

Niagara Gospel Mission - Christmas "Cookie Party"
Tuesday, December 23, 7:00 pm - 1317 Portage Road, NF
Join the mission in a family-friendly gathering at the Mission to
prepare for their Christmas Day dinner. If you can donate cookies,
they would be very appreciative. With typically 2-3 cookies per
bag, they will need approximately 6,000 cookies! If you have
questions or can help, please contact Donna Stevens at either
dstevens@niagaragrm.org or 716-946-6163.

December Sunday School Offering

Our offering this month will go to our missionaries, Phil & Barb Klumpp to encourage them in their ministry.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service—Wednesday, December 24 Next Combined Board Meeting—Tuesday, January 20 Grace Students Snow Camp—January 23-25, 2026 Next Missions Committee Meeting—Tuesday, January 27 KidSafe Training Seminar—Sunday, February 8