

The Herald of Grace

A Weekly Newsletter for Grace Lutheran Church

February 5, 2026



It's a girl!! We congratulate Ashley and Pastor Miller on the birth of their new daughter, Lainey Mae Miller, born on January 28, 2026, at 8 lbs. 7 oz. We praise and thank God for a healthy baby girl. Pastor and Ashley thank you for your prayers.

Note: Pastor has been on a two-week leave now that the baby is born to care for his family as they transition into this new chapter. We are blessed to have Pastor Dennis Jacobson who will be serving us on Sundays during his absence as well as making any emergency calls. You can also contact Debbie Milling at the Church Office through email or phone with any prayers, requests, emergencies, etc.

Pastor will return to the office Monday, February 9, 2026!

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, February 8	Children's Sunday School	9:15 am
<i>5th Sunday after Epiphany</i>	Worship- Divine Service	10:30 am
	Camp Dixie Chicken Dinner	11:00 am-2:00 pm
Monday, Feb. 9	Bible Study @ Our Savior (<i>Galatians</i>)	11:00 am
	Elders Meeting	6:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 10	Council Meeting	6:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 11	Bible Study @ Grace (<i>Galatians</i>)	11:00 am
	Handbell Choir	5:30 pm
	Adult Choir	6:15 pm
Sunday, February 15	Children's Sunday School	9:15 am
<i>Transfiguration of Our Lord</i>	Worship- Divine Service	10:30 am

Congratulations to the new 2026 Church Council!

The 2026-2028 Church Council will be installed on
Sunday, February 15, 2026 during the service.

Congregational President: Julie Harvey (1st term)
Vice-President: David Lauber (1st term)
Treasurer: Tom Hankins (Interim)
Financial Secretary: Sue Dominguez (1st term)
Secretary: Martha Webb (2nd term)
Head Elder: David Griffin (1st term)
Education: Kelly Johnson (1st term)
Fellowship: Jan Tanner (1st term)
Youth: Micah Battaglia (1st term)
Missions: Kelly Beck (1st term)
Stewardship: Marilyn Griffin (1st term)
Communications: David LeGros (2nd term)
Trustee: Guy Marcum (1st term)



Feb. 5 - Lisa Burnette
Feb. 8 – Stephen Johnson
Feb. 8 – Marvin Mueller
Feb. 8 – Sherea Weiss
Feb. 9 – Rachel Dean
Feb. 9 – Ashley Oswalt
Feb. 10 – Dan Unger
Feb. 12 – Martha Keezel
Feb. 13 – Damean Hosey



Feb. 6 – Ronnie and Sherea Weiss



January 2026
We need your help with our Sunday School!

The Sunday School teaching schedule for **February-May 2026 is in urgent need of teachers. No additional teachers have volunteered! Most weeks are still unfilled on the schedule. Please consider volunteering to teach.** We provide structured teaching material that is easy to follow for each class. The classes are:

Preschool - ages 3-5 years

Elementary - Grades 1-4

Tweens - Grades 5-8

Contact Connie Rowe 251 270-9000 if you are willing to help with this ministry.

Urgent need for Handbell players!!



If you have any interest in learning to play handbells, now is the perfect time to get started. The need is great!

Several spots are open.

Rehearsals for Handbells begin at 5:30 p.m.

There is also a need for new choir members! Choir begins at 6:15 p.m.

Take Note! 🎵



CARILLON FROM CANDY AND COINS!!

Please take an M&M tube of Mini's so you can return it in February full of quarters, folding money or a check into the steeple of the little "Sounding Joy Church"

Collection Drop Box.

Proceeds go toward funding a new Carrillon musical system for Grace Lutheran Church.

Thank you



*Altar
Flowers*

**ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP SHEET FOR
2026 IS NOW AVAILABLE!
2026 Price: \$100/set or \$50/each**

**Upcoming Dates available:
April 12**

Pastor Miller's work phone is currently not in order.

*Please call or text his personal number @ 251-230-1886
or the Church Office @ 251-433-2749 to contact him for any
pastoral needs/emergencies.*

FINDING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH'S WORSHIP SERVICES ONLINE

Beginning in April of this year, we began live streaming our church services on our Facebook and YouTube pages. We also have discontinued our service with PodPoint for hosting audio podcasts of our services.

Here is a quick guide on where you can find all our videos and podcasts.

LIVE STREAMS

We stream simultaneously on Facebook and YouTube at present. The livestream generally begins 5 minutes prior to the 10:30 AM service. Please note that technology can have a mind of its own sometimes, and occasionally one of the platforms' streaming services may be down when we try to go live. If you don't see the livestream on one of these platforms, please check the other one.

If you use the Facebook or YouTube phone apps, just search for "grace lutheran church mobile alabama." If you use an internet browser, here are the direct URL links.

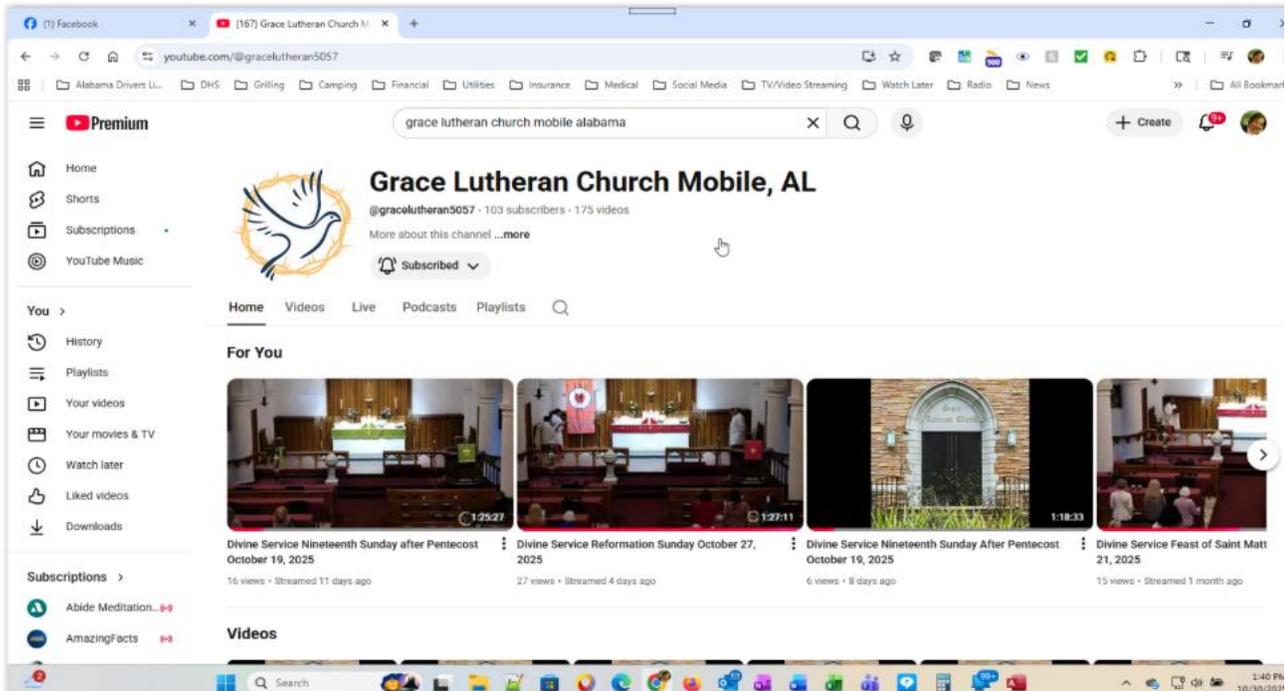
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/gracelutheranmobile>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@gracelutheran5057>

Whatever method you use, here are the pages you want to wind up on:



Facebook



YouTube

VIDEO ARCHIVES

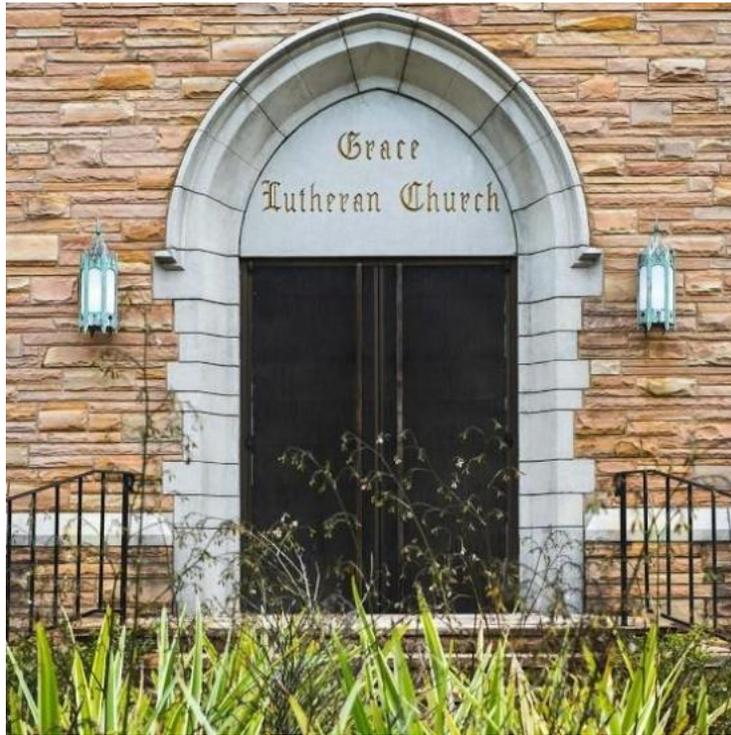
After the livestream ends, both Facebook and YouTube archive the video so you can view it later, should you miss the actual livestream. On Facebook, the video will be on the main Posts page. Please note that Facebook automatically deletes archives of live videos 30 days after they are posted.

On YouTube, the video archive is currently maintained indefinitely, so all videos are kept until the channel owner manually deletes them (which we do not do). To find the archived video, just click on the Live tab on our YouTube channel page.

PODCASTS

The archived video from YouTube is downloaded, and through a free service available through Spotify, a podcast version of the service is created which is automatically pushed out to all the major podcast platforms (Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Amazon Music, and YouTube Music). The podcast on Spotify is a video podcast; all the other platforms are audio only.

The name of the podcast on all platforms is Herald of Grace. If you use a phone app for any of the platforms, just search for Herald of Grace. The page logo on all the platforms is a picture of the front of the church.



If you are using an internet browser, here are the URL links for the podcasts:

Spotify: <https://open.spotify.com/show/6cvTcKLeN9B5R6c17NsC7>

Apple Podcasts: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/herald-of-grace/id1840014717>

Amazon Music: <https://music.amazon.com/podcasts/fc17026d-2a14-4db9-bb5c-bd75795d9aca/herald-of-grace>

YouTube Music: <https://music.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8ZokvQV6mUGikk48-oHQjessIfU5syr>

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Email me at communications_it@gracelutheranmobile.com, call or text me at 251-422-0993, or catch me in the narthex after service on Sunday.

Dave LeGros
Communications Chairman



STILL AVAILABLE AT ONLY ONE YEAR AWAY! BOOK NOW!
Call Galyna Henry. Deposits could be as low as \$50 pp.
More info on next page.



6-DAY BAHAMAS CRUISE

Carnival Spirit

Monday, January 11 – Sunday, January 17, 2027

Starting at **\$734.00** per person

ITINERARY:

Monday, January 11: Depart Mobile, AL 3:30 PM
 Tuesday, January 12: Fun Day at Sea
 Wednesday, January 13: Celebration Key, The Bahama
 Thursday, January 14: Nassau, The Bahamas
 Friday, January 15: Fun Day at Sea
 Saturday, January 16: Fun Day at Sea
 Sunday, January 17: Arrive Mobile, AL 8:00 AM

INCLUSIONS:

- ◆ 6-day cruise aboard *Carnival Spirit*
- ◆ Meals and entertainment on board the ship
- ◆ Port charges, government taxes, and fees
- ◆ Gratuities to shipboard staff
- ◆ Optional shore excursions
- ◆ Travel Protection

NOT INCLUDED:

STATEROOMS:

Prices are per person based on double occupancy.

Cat. 4D - Interior
\$734.00

Cat. 4E - Interior
\$744.00

Cat. 8D - Balcony
\$944.00

Cat. 8E - Balcony
\$954.00

Cat. 8K -
Extended Balcony
\$974.00



Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Stateroom categories and prices are subject to availability and are on a first come, first serve basis. Other categories may be available by request. Pricing and stateroom availability for 3rd and 4th guests are available upon request. Prices are subject to change due to fuel charges and other vendor charges. **A valid passport is required with at least 6 months validity beyond return date.**
Deposit of \$250.00 per person is due with the completed registration form by February 24, 2025. Final payment is due September 29, 2026.



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CAMP DIXIE 2026

Chicken Dinners

Join us at Camp Dixie for our Chicken Dinner fundraiser events! 11am-2pm on the listed dates. \$15 for a good meal of fried chicken, green beans, mashed potatoes, and more! Stop by our Camp Store while you're with us and grab some Camp Dixie swag like a new t-shirt or water bottle!

2026 Dates



January 11

February 8

March 8

April 12

June 7

September 13

October 11

November 8

A Light Before Others

“Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” Matt. 5:16

What is Camp Dixie’s aim? Ultimately, to glorify God! Let us reflect His light, teach of His sacrifice, and encourage other believers to do the same. Shine on!

In Christ,
Sam “Uno” Schmidt
Camp Dixie Director



Support Camp Dixie

Please keep Camp Dixie in your prayers and consider supporting this ministry further. Options include:

- Monetary Donations (head to website for digital donations)
- Gifts from our Wishlist
- Thrivent Action Team Grants
- Volunteer Service

See our website for more information



Grace Lutheran Church
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 am
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 am
ADULT BIBLE STUDY *After Service*

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Weekly newsletter items must be submitted by Wednesday of each week.



**If you would like to watch our
Worship Services, you can find them here:**

**Grace Lutheran's Facebook page
or
youtube.com**

(Search and subscribe to Grace Lutheran Church, Mobile, AL)