

OVERCOMERS

BREAK EVERY CHAIN



OVERCOMING DIFFICULTIES

GENESIS 37-50

Pastor Gerald Stigall



Grace
Evangelical Free Church

...a Family Place...

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Sunday
September 16, 2018

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday — September 16

- 9:15 am *New Members Class in the Library*
 9:15 am *Sunday School & Adult Communities*
 10:30 am *Worship Service; Nursery (0-3 yrs), Wee Worship (Age 3-Kindergarten)*
 4:00 pm *Quiz Practice*

Tuesday — September 18

- 6:00 am *fe² Men's Group*
 9:30 am *Staff Meeting*
 6:30 pm *Men's Maturity Platoon*

Wednesday — September 19

- 1:00 pm *Hilltoppers' Small Group*
 5:15 pm *Kids' Choir Begins*
 5:30 pm *Fellowship Meal*
 6:30 pm *AWANA, Students, Adult, GriefShare*
 6:30 pm *Funeral Planning & Funding Financial Seminar*
 6:30 pm *ALPHA Class Begins*
 8:00 pm *Orchestra Rehearsal*

Thursday — September 20

- 6:00 am *Ladies' Bible Study*

6:30 pm *Chorale Rehearsal*

Friday — September 21

- 8:15 am *Bread Ministry*

Sunday — September 23

- 9:15 am *New Members Class in the Library*
 9:15 am *Sunday School & Adult Communities*
 10:30 am *Worship Service; Nursery (0-3 yrs), Wee Worship (Age 3-Kindergarten)*
 4:00 pm *Quiz Practice*

Monday — September 24

- Pastor Gerald leaves for Latvia*
 7:00 pm *Outreach Influence Team Meeting*

Tuesday — September 25

- 6:00 am *fe² Men's Group*
 5:30 pm *Elder Board Dinner & Prayer Meeting*
 6:30 pm *Men's Maturity Platoon*
 7:00 pm *Struggles of Life Support Group*



Important Note:

Please silence cell phones during the service so as not to distract fellow worshippers.

*Hearing devices for the hearing impaired can be found at the sound booth.

**A Study Guide helping you to process today's message is included in today's worship bulletin. To listen to the service online go to: <http://www.gracefree.org/sermons-and-study-guides.html>

ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL UPDATE 09/09/18

Fiscal Year 2018	Budget	Received	Difference
General Fund Giving	\$ 13,577	\$ 18,459	+\$ 4,882
General Fund Giving YTD	\$ 488,772	\$ 479,059	- \$ 9,713
Faith Promise Giving	\$ 1,923	\$ 987	- \$ 936
Faith Promise YTD	\$ 69,228	\$ 67,609	- \$ 1,619

Sunday Attendance: September 9, 2018

Worship Service: 267

PRAYER FOCUS

Church:

- ❖ Please pray for the following who have health concerns: **Sherri Larson.**

Missions:

- ❖ Pray for Pastor Stigall's preparations to provide leadership training and team building with our sister church, Bethany Baptist in Riga, Latvia in late September. Please share a greeting, favorite verse, prayer, photo with our brothers and sisters in Riga. Place your notes in the basket at the Mission Display board by **September 23.**
- ❖ Steve and Merrilee T. praise the Lord for recent connections leading to new local training opportunities. Security needs keep them from local advertising.
- ❖ Troy and Heather C. ask us to pray for their two children, both in college; and their adjustment to being empty nesters. Praise for recent opportunities Troy had to speak at conferences and churches. Pray for their neighborhood friendships to lead into changed lives.
- ❖ Steve and Jane W. will be on a short Home Assignment in Minnesota from late October to mid-December.
- ❖ Dewy and Carolyn W. praise the Lord for a south Asian ministry, previously locked out of their workshop, but now able to continue ministry in three new locations. Pray for a good road trip to Texas selling Freedom Bazaar products.
- ❖ Laura A. asks us to pray for Emmanuel to have his interview soon and for his visa and green card applications to be approved. Those wishing to bless Laura and Emmanuel for their time in the USA can donate gift cards. Suggestions would be for gas, groceries, household goods or clothing gift cards. Gift cards can go in the basket at the sound booth.
- ❖ Dan and Marcy S. are currently on a six-month Home Assignment. They will be providing care for Dan's parents in Iowa. Marcy will have some time to spend with their adult children on the East coast. Pray for good leadership by local believers back in Brazil.
- ❖ Volunteers are still needed at FreedomWorks' new facility for light cleaning, painting and handyman work. See the posting for an Administrative Assistant position.
- ❖ Volunteer with Steve and Kelli M. at Living Hope Ministries for fall tutoring. Contact Larry at lwc_rdi@hotmail.com or 763-533-8057 to volunteer for building needs.
- ❖ Volunteer training with Refugee Life Ministries on Thursday, September 20, 7:00-8:30 pm at Cedar Valley Church, 8600 Bloomington Ave. S.
- ❖ Stefan and Sharon K in Mozambique ask us to pray for protection and renewed health after several cases of malaria. Pray for Stefan as he teaches and mentors the missionary students. Pray for Sharon's ministry involvement with the goal of child safety and protection from abuse.

Mission Focus: Jill B. serves with Wilberforce Academy, which exists to train international students to be redemptive change agents in their home societies and workplaces. Bob O., her boss, recently was able to travel and encourage some former students/mentees in Africa. Pray for his wisdom and safety for travel and other speaking engagements. Students who have graduated are often in leadership positions in their home countries with a heart to influence their society for the good, by the grace of God. Current students, still studying in the USA, need prayer for opportunities with good mentor relationships, training, and other financial and personal needs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MORE!

Welcome to Grace!

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 26

- 1:00 pm *Hilltoppers' Small Group*
- 1:00 pm *Staff Meeting*
- 5:15 pm *Kids' Choir*
- 5:30 pm *Fellowship Meal*
- 6:30 pm *AWANA, Students, Adult, GriefShare*
- 6:30 pm *Education Funding & Planning Financial Seminar*
- 6:30 pm *ALPHA Class Begins*
- 8:00 pm *Orchestra Rehearsal*

September 27

- 6:00 am *Ladies' Bible Study*
- 6:30 pm *Chorale Rehearsal*

September 28

- 8:15 am *Bread Ministry*

September 30

- 9:15 am *New Members Class in the Library*
- 9:15 am *Sunday School & Adult Communities*
- 10:30 am *Worship Service; Nursery (0-3 yrs), Wee Worship (Age 3-Kindergarten)*
- 4:00 pm *Quiz Practice*

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Wednesday Evening Meal Clean-up

Don't we all appreciate the Wednesday Evening Fellowship Meal? Thanks to everyone who makes this ministry possible.

We are in need of help with washing tables, putting away chairs and tables, and cleaning the floor. Just show up and we'll find a job for you to do.



Thank you!

Opportunities to Serve

Grace Kids is in need of servants for these ministries: Nursery Worker, Wee Worship Teacher, AWANA Sparks Leader, Grace Kids Greeter. Contact office 763-784-7199 for details.

New Grace Website

Please check out our new website at www.gracefree.org. and let us know what you think.

Grace Family,

I cherish your cards, phone calls, and prayers regarding my recent surgery. It's a process, but going well. Praise the Lord! He's teaching me patience - can't wait until I'm back to 100%.

Gail Ledoux



Serving Today:

Bible Hour Nursery: Lori Hadaway,
Michelle Barber

Worship Nursery: Linda Holmgren, Patty Schaffer

Wee Worship: Alison Preston,
Fortuna Alexander

FELLOWSHIP MEAL 9/19

Honey Balsamic Chicken
Roasted tomatoes, potatoes
& green beans
Fruit , Dinner Rolls
Cake



Join Us for ALPHA
Wed., Sept. 19th

6:30 pm in the Library

"Is There More to Life Than This?"

will be discussed, facilitated by
Stephen & Marisha Schletty.



**Congratulations Aaron &
Brittany Wellmann**

We celebrate the birth of Isaac Chad Wellmann with you. Mother and baby are doing well.



new MEMBERS CLASS

9:15 am



In the
Library

Facilitated by Pastor Gerald Stigall

OUR STAFF WELCOMES YOU TO GRACE!

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Guests, you're invited to our Welcome Center

(located in the Commons)

**following the service today to visit with a member of our
Connections Team and to receive information about our church.**



"As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today."

Genesis 50:20

Weekly Ministry Opportunities

Sundays (Sept. - June)

9:15 am Bible Hour

10:30 am Worship Service

Wednesdays (Sept.-May)

6:30 pm Student / Adult Ministries

8:00 pm Orchestra

Small Groups and service opportunities
abound. Call the church office
for details, 763-784-7199.