

## Welcome to Grace

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not of your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one can boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9)

We welcome you to Grace Church today, where we invite you to receive God's grace. This congregation has worshipped and served the Lord in Northeast Reading since 1882. May God bless you as you join us today!

## Regular Times and Locations

### Sunday School

**9:30-10:15 AM**

*Nursery (0-36 months)	203 - 1st Floor, South Wing
*3 & 4 Yr. Olds	204 - 1st Floor, South Wing
K - 2nd Grades	301 - 2nd Floor, South Wing
3rd - 5th Grades	302 - 2nd Floor, South Wing
6th-12th Grades	300 - Balcony

\* During Sunday School and Worship Service

### Winter Adult Electives (Dec. 4 - Jan. 22)

**9:30 AM - 10:15 AM**

*Prayer | David Siegfried*      **Sanctuary**  
*Ruth/Esther | Jenny Fitch | Women's Class Overflow*

### Worship Service

**10:30 AM**

### Sunday Evenings

**6:30 PM**

**Small Groups** September - May

**Times Vary**

## Staff and Leaders

### Senior Pastor

Randall Grossman

### Associate Pastor

Bryan McNally

### Secretary / Bookkeeper

Hannah Merrick

### Music Director

Mimi Fairbanks

### Lambs

### Preschool Director

Trisha Maples

### Sunday School Superintendent

Bryon Kauffman

### Librarian

Carl Weston

### Elders

Greg Fairbanks  
Tim Faust  
Bryon Kauffman  
Charles Lavigna  
Rick Paquette  
Ron Reed  
Glenn Ruoss  
David Siegfried  
Greg Tuke

### Deacons

Steve Gibson  
Marty Green  
David Lengel  
Shawn Lintz  
Stacy Maples  
Chris Merrick  
Dale Pollock  
Mike Siatkowski  
Trevor Smith  
Jeff Wike



## Merry Christmas!

The Week of December 25, 2022

### Wednesday

2:00 PM Youth Group Girls Going to Longwood Gardens

### Next Sunday

9:30 AM Sunday School for all ages!

10:30 AM Sunday Worship "Tempted by the Devil"

Luke 4:1-13 | Pastor Grossman | Communion

No Evening Service

We want to alert regular attenders by text message whenever there are last-minute changes to events and service times. These texts will be limited to things that affect the whole church including bad weather, time changes, or a cancelled service. Fill out the form here:

[gracebfc.churchcenter.com/people/forms/464265](https://gracebfc.churchcenter.com/people/forms/464265)

## Find Us

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# Announcements

## SAVE THE DATES!

### January

- 1 & 8 Scripture Memory Challenge Sign Ups
- 4 Ladies Bible Study starts! 9:15 AM | Fellowship Hall
- 4 Prayer Meeting restarts | 6 PM
- 11 Awana & Youth Group restart | 6 PM
- 21 Book Club Interest Meeting | Myers' Home | 9:30 AM

### February

- 10-12 Winter Blast at Victory Valley Camp | Ages 7-12

**HELP NEEDED:** Awana Cubbies is looking for a volunteer on Wednesday nights! Talk to Holly Witmer if you can help!

**SCRIPTURE MEMORY CHALLENGE 2023!** If you are 8 years old (by July 1, 2023) or older, it will soon be time to sign up to memorize Scripture and earn a scholarship that may be applied toward one week OR weekend event at Victory Valley Camp OR BFC Sno Glo weekend. Sign-up Sundays are Jan 1 & 8.

**Winter Blast 2023** will be Feb. 10-12 for kids ages 7-12! The Grace code is grbfcwb23 for a \$10 discount.

**CALLING ALL BOOK LOVERS:** Would you like to be part of a Book Club? Planning meeting Saturday, January 21st at 9:30 AM at the Myers' home. If interested, contact: Bev. Myers - 484.332.1353

Offerings to the church must be received online, in the office, or postmarked **by Saturday, December 31**, in order to be credited in 2022 to your donation account.

## Send a note to...

Kaaren Swavely  
113 Wood Lane  
Reading, PA 19606

### Financial Report:

Year to Date Giving: \$473,133.15

Year to Date Need: \$4700,730.00

Online Giving: [give.gracebfcreading.org/Text-to-Give](http://give.gracebfcreading.org/Text-to-Give): 84321

Or download the Church Center App from Planning Center on your phone.

# Worship Service

## Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Grossman

### Worship in Praise

#### Call to Worship

Titus 2:11-14

Pastor McNally

#### Hymn #249

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

#### Hymn #272

*While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks*

#### Hymn #270

*Joy to the World*

*(Children's Church for children in Kindergarten - 2nd grade is dismissed)*

### Worship in Giving

#### Tithes & Offering

#### Offertory

*Once in Royal David's City*

Mimi Fairbanks & Lisa McNally

### Worship in Prayer

#### Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Grossman

### Worship in the Word

#### Scripture Reading

Isaiah 9:6-7

Pastor McNally

(Pew Bible p. 573)

#### Message

"A Gift for You"

Pastor Grossman

#### Hymn #250

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

#### Benediction

II Corinthians 13:14

Pastor Grossman

### **Reminders**

- The balcony is available for parents with small children.
- The Mary Melcher's Mothers room is located off the south foyer for mothers to use.
- The Hartman Memorial Library is located beyond the north foyer near the restrooms. There are resources for all ages to build your faith in the Lord!

### **This Week - 12/25**

#### **Nursery:**

SS: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

C: B Manwiller & R Ulrich

### **Next Week - 1/1**

#### **Nursery:**

SS: L Byrne & S Witmer

C: M Beaver, D Gundrum & Charissa Schwenig

Check In: