

## NEW TO GC?

Stop by the Guest Connection Desk today after our worship assembly. We'd love to meet you!

## WELCOME!

Hello Grace Chapel family,

The month of November was an awesome month! Cumming Elementary School was our community partner. We donated and passed out over 300 coats for students in need this winter. I am so thankful for all of you who sacrificed and participated in this effort! Special thanks to Sherry McMillian, Dale and Cindy Kilpatrick, John and Kathy Stroop, Jose and Anna Quinones, and Mark and Carol Jones, who were physically responsible for handling the distribution of the coats. We also helped nine Spanish families in our community with Thanksgiving baskets, as requested by our Spanish ministry.

December's community partner of the month is Whitlow Elementary. Whitlow is currently the most diverse elementary school in Forsyth County. Within their 30% white demographic, they have a large number of Eastern European students from Turkey, Russia, Ukraine, and other countries, making Whitlow the most diverse in both race and ethnicity. The Whitlow community of learners takes pride in innovation and collaboration. They are passionately striving toward their mission statement to "Challenge, Inspire, Act...Make Learning Come Alive!" Funds from Grace Chapel will assist in purchasing food, gas, and student lunches. Thank you to Tim Aligheri, who serves as our Grace Chapel liaison.

Whitlow Elementary is always in need of mentors for its students. To learn more or apply to become a mentor, please visit [forsyth.k12.ga.us/mentoring](http://forsyth.k12.ga.us/mentoring).

Jim Beasley  
Connections Minister



## UPCOMING



For more details on upcoming events, see the GC Events calendar online or in the GC app.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Welcome

Ben Patterson

Joy to the World  
We Bow Down  
All the Heavens

Communion

Jason Green

Peace, Perfect Peace

Offering

Jason Green

Kids Dismissal

Ben Patterson

Video

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Message: **Peace for the World**  
*Joy for the World: Part 1 of 5*

Rob Shaver

Instruments of Your Peace

Next Steps

Ben Patterson

Shepherd's Prayer

Jason Green

## PRAYER SPOTLIGHT

"Teach me your way, O LORD; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors. Do not turn me over to the desires of my foes, for false witnesses rise up against me, breathing out violence." (Psalm 27:11-12)

Father, as the world exploits our tentative spirits, strengthen us in our resolve to resist the things that beset us. Strengthen, we pray, our commitment to live by faith without being distracted by the bullying of our oppressors. Father, may your grace refresh us when we feel defeated, or when temptation demands silence. For Christ's sake, amen.

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

[gracechapelchurch.com/pray](http://gracechapelchurch.com/pray)



**CHRISTMAS TRAIN:** Christmas is such a special time of year! Preschoolers will experience a lot of excitement and wonder. We all do! But as they get older—and as we take time to stop and remember—we hope that

the good news that God gave us Jesus will become the most wonderful part of Christmas. So get ready because we are hopping aboard the CHRISTMAS TRAIN, and it's carrying the true story of Christmas!

**REMEMBER THIS:** "God loved the world so much that He gave His only son." (John 3:16, GNT)



**DECK THE HALLS: COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS:** With the busyness of the Christmas season, it's easy to lose sight of why we celebrate in the first place. That's what makes a countdown like an advent calendar

so powerful. It allows us daily moments to stop and reflect on God, who loved us so much and sent Jesus to be our Savior. This December, we're "decking the halls" and taking the whole the month to focus on nothing but Christmas. As we count down Christmas Day, let's take time to remember the reason we celebrate in the first place: Jesus, the greatest gift the world has ever known.

**REMEMBER THIS:** "A child will be born to us. A son will be given to us." (Isaiah 9:6, NIRV)



### YOUTH NIGHT

Sundays, 5-8 p.m., GC Youth Room

For anyone in 6th-12th grades to explore how to follow Jesus and to connect with others in a safe, fun environment.

Dress to impress and join us tonight for our annual "Classy Christmas" Youth Night! We'll have fancy hors d'oeuvres for dinner and begin our December series, *Anticipation: Preparing for the Coming of Jesus*.



December Youth Night Schedule

### UPCOMING YOUTH NIGHT SCHEDULE

**TONIGHT:** Youth Night, 5-8 p.m. "Classy Christmas"

12/10: Youth Night, 5-8 p.m. "Christmas Morning"

12/17: Youth Night, 5-8 p.m. "Christmas Party"

For more details on upcoming events, see the GC Youth calendar online or in the GC app.



### STAY CONNECTED

Text your Remind code to 81010:

**GC Youth Parents:** @gcymparents

**Middle School Students:** @gcymms

**High School Students:** @gcymhs

### FOLLOW US!

@gcyouthga



### LOCATION

6755 Majors Road  
Cumming, GA 30040

### SERVICES

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

### WATCH LIVE

[gracechapelchurch.com/live](http://gracechapelchurch.com/live)

### LAST WEEK (11/19/23)

Attendance 440

YTD Contributions \$1,122,907



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