

Welcome to GRIF * * * * Communication/Bulletin Response Card

Please complete and place it in the offering plate as it is passed.

Name _____ Date _____
 Address _____ City/State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____
 I am a regular attendee _____ guest _____ invited by _____
 Announcement response _____ A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
 This helps us know that you were here. Whether you are a guest or regular GRIF attendee, you can use this tool to communicate with the church staff, share prayer requests and praises or give us your address to send you a greeting as a guest with us.

Our Mission:
 Connecting people to Christ in our multicultural community.

GIVING REPORT

Aug 27

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

NEEDED WEEKLY	\$	10,998
RECEIVED	\$	8,385

MISSIONS

NEEDED WEEKLY	\$	566
RECEIVED	\$	355

Attendance 223

GRIF Updates
 To receive weekly updates, provide your email on the *Communication Card* or email secretary@grifonline.org.

Sermon Podcasts
www.grifonline.org
 Click on *Resources, Sermon Archive.*

Wireless User Name & Password
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This Week at GRIF
Sept. 3 - Sept. 10, 2017



SUNDAY Community Sunday
 9:00 am Quizzing
 9:00 am Adult Growth Group (Walk Through the Word)
 10:00 am Worship
 11:30 am BBQ

MONDAY Church Office Closed for Labor Day
 No ELL Classes

TUESDAY
 No ELL Classes

THURSDAY
 No ELL Classes

FRIDAY Church Office closed
 No ELL Classes

SUNDAY The Narrow
 9:00 am Quizzing
 9:00 am Adult Growth Group (Walk Through the Word)
 10:00 am Worship

UPCOMING EVENTS

- September**
- 14 Church Board Meeting
 - 17 Back to Church Sunday
 - 17 Church Picnic
 - 19 Ladies Bible Study
 - 24 Vision Sunday
- October**
- 1 Dr. Leon Blanchette, Family Ministries Professor at ONU
 - 5 ONU Primetime and Grandparents Day
 - 12 Church Board Meeting
 - 15 24/7 Prayer begins
 - 22 Hymn Sing and Pot Luck
- November**
- 5 Dr. John Bowling, President at Olivet Nazarene University
 - 9 Church Board Meeting

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Back to Church Sunday is coming up on September 17. We're having a special service specifically designed to welcome people back to church, so now is a good time to start praying about who you will invite. Eight out of ten people say they are open to visiting church if invited. That's powerful! Imagine how our community can be transformed if everyone here invited at least one person to come to church.



We'll have a relevant message on this Sunday called "A Place to Belong," that will encourage all of us to get plugged in to living life the way we were meant to—with others in authentic community! You won't want to miss it!

We'll also have our church picnic in the afternoon to help visitors and members get to know each other, and it will be a blast!

This is the perfect opportunity to invite your friends, family, neighbors and coworkers to join you and grow deeper in their faith, or perhaps encounter God for the first time.

Church Picnic

Save the date for our Church Picnic on September 17, 4:30 pm at Palmer Park.

9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB - September 9 - Fifth Third Ballpark 9-11 am. Join others from GRIF who are participating in the 2017 Grand Rapids 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb. Each participant pays tribute to an FDNY firefighter, police officer, or EMS by climbing the equivalent of the 110 stories of the World Trade Center. The Stair Climb benefits the National Fire Fighters Foundation supporting families of our nation's fallen firefighters. Contact Ed Marino for more details (318-6409) or go to <http://events.firehero.org/grandrapids>.

Age-Friendly Communities Listening Tour

An Age-Friendly Community understands and meets the age-related needs of older adults and promotes respect and well-being for all ages. Join us for the Listening Tour event at GRIF (gym) on Tuesday, September 26 from 10 am – Noon. Open to all; invite your friends (no RSVP needed).

Cleaning Position

GRIF has a cleaning position open –the hours are flexible Thursday - Saturday. This 5-6 hour a week position requires an eye for detail, physical stamina and flexibility. Contact Eva Schoon at eschoon@grifonline.org.

The Narrow

ONU's *The Narrow* will be joining us for the weekend of September 9-10. We have two students left to house, let us know if you would be willing to host them in your home overnight (secretary@grifonline.org).

Praise & Prayer Requests

- * **Patterson Family** - in the loss of Karen's mother, Florence Langerak
- * **Tim Chenoweth** - meeting with neurologist.
- * **Terry Strong** - battling cancer "Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him...Do not fret, it only causes harm." Psalm 37: 8 & 9
- * **Deb Wright** daughter of Dave & Denise Nichols - diagnosis of stage 4 melanoma cancer.
- * **Linda Pippo** - recovering from surgery from a broken arm.
- * **Those with physical needs and/or receiving medical treatments:** Heidi Enck, Roger and Donna Miller, Robin Shearer, Mitch Schultz, and Cyndi Ruffer.
- * **Prayers for our shut-ins:** Lillian Chelette, Lillian Mountain, Carol Oliver, MaryJane Olthouse, Chloe Wilkins.

Prayer Group - Everyone is welcome Tuesdays (6:30 a.m.) & Sundays (9:30 a.m.)



Family Service Today
Children are invited to join their parents during the service today. Activity pages will be provided. Nursery and Preschool are available.

Community Sunday & BBQ

Today we welcome community leaders to our worship service. Following the service we will have a BBQ. You are invited to join us on the playground for lunch together.



Dinner for 8

We are bringing back Dinner for 8 from October 1-November 5. Hosts are needed before we can begin sign ups. If you would like to host a dinner in your home or at church, you can sign up in the foyer today.

Family Ministries Meeting

Youth and children's families and parents, join Pastor Antonio for a meeting on September 10 following the service, downstairs in the Children's Church Sanctuary.

Hurricane Harvey Relief

If you would like to help the people in Texas who have been effected by the Hurricane this week, please consider making a contribution to GRIF - write *Hurricane relief* on your envelope so we can give properly.

Ladies Retreat

Ladies, there is a retreat opportunity at *The Springs* in Gladwin, MI on Sept. 22-23. Details can be found at the information desk or see Mandy Geemes if you have questions.

- I would like to ask prayer for _____
 - I would like information about _____
 - I would like to talk to someone about a spiritual need in my life.
 - I desire more information about a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Please share **request** with pastoral staff prayer group in bulletin/email update This is a praise/answered prayer.