### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### JULY

- 25-29 Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- 25-29 Summer Music & Arts Camp for Kids (SMACK)
  - 27 Youth Rangers Game
- 29 VBS/SMACK Musical Showcase/picnic
- 29-31 Youth Celebration #22 (Lake Lavon)
  - 31 VBS/SMACK Combined Worship Service
  - 31 Session Meeting, 12:15PM
- 31-Aug 7 Family Promise Hosting

### AUGUST

- 3 Youth Summer Service, 7PM
- 6 Young Adult Bowling, 6PM
- 7 Newcomer's Q&A, 10:45AM & 12:15PM
- 7 Young Adult Game Night, 6PM
- 7 Family Ministry Promotion Sundae
- 7-28 Pack to School, School Supply Collection
- 10 STARs luncheon, 12PM
- 10 JUMP
- 17 Youth Late Night
- 21 Rally Day
- 21 Blessing of the Backpacks
- 22 First Day of School
- 24 Youth Back to School Dinner
- 28 Session Meeting, 12:15PM
- 30 Youth Back to School Kick-Off





VBS and SMACK are go for launch! If you should find yourself needing to visit the church offices this week, prepare yourself for the controlled chaos, excitement and noise created by the participants (and some leaders) of our annual outreach to the community.

As a reminder, let us acknowledge the many faithful saints who make it possible for us to host the child participants this week. We can't do it without them.

As a thank you, please accept my appreciation for your financial support to the general fund through your pledge. We sponsor this event through your generosity. May the Lord bless you as you continue to share your blessings with our church family.

Bryan

P.S. Don't forget to celebrate VBS and SMACK with us next Sunday, July 31st, at our combined 11AM worship service.

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#### **News of Note**

- 1. Newcomer's Q&A, August 7, 10:45AM & 12:15PM: If you would like more information about Grace, attend our Newcomer's Q&A held on the first Sunday of each month immediately following either of our two worship services in room MB1.
- 2. Youth Night at the Rangers, July 27: Any youth wanting to join us as we watch the Rangers take on the Oakland A's needs to fill out the online form for tickets. <u>www.gracepc.org</u>>sign-ups> The deadline to sign-up is Sunday, July 24th!!
- 3. VBS & SMACK Combined Family Worship Next Sunday, July 31, 11AM: We will have 1 combined worship service at 11AM.
- 4. Young Adult Bowling, August 6, 6PM: All young adults (18-29), mark your calendars to join Graham Bower for a bowling night out at Pinstack in west Plano. Questions, contact Graham at graham@gracepc.org.
- 5. Promotion "Sundae", August 7, 11AM: The first Sunday in August, all children and youth will "promote" to their new Sunday School classes. They will be kicking off the new year with ice cream sundaes! Don't miss out!
- 6. Young Adult Game Night, August 7, 6PM: All young adults are invited to the monthly game night. Questions, contact Graham Bower at graham@gracepc.org.
- 7. Family Promise Hosting Week, July 31-Aug. 7: We are winding up our volunteer sign ups for Family Promise. If you are interested, please check your Connection Card or stop by the narthex this Sunday. Questions? Contact Wanda Ferraro at wandaferraro7@gmail.com
- 8. Rally Day is Coming August 21st!!!
- **9. Women's Fall Retreat (Save the Date):** Ladies, we will return to the Prothro Center on the shores of Lake Texoma on Oct. 21-22. Mark your calendars now!

# **VBS/SMACK Week**



## **Thank You Volunteers!**

We are excited to welcome over 170 children to our VBS and SMACK programs this year!

### Combined Family Worship, July 31st, 11AM

Next Sunday, come and experience the joy and excitement of VBS and SMACK week as our VBS and SMACK children share their music with us in worship. All 11AM Sunday School classes will resume on August 7th. Nursery will be available.

### Spotlight Event: Pack to School

Our annual school supply drive for children in need will begin in August. Stop by the narthex on Sunday, August 7th, and pick up a list of needed supplies. After purchasing the supplies, return them to the collection baskets in the narthex on any Sunday in August.

### VBS/SMACK Picnic, Friday, July 29, 5:30PM

The congregation is invited to the free VBS/SMACK celebration picnic on Friday evening, July 29. The picnic begins at 5:30PM and will include hotdogs, chips, and snow cones for dessert. The VBS & SMACK worship celebration will begin at 7PM. Please RSVP online and let us know how many will be attending the picnic. www.gracepc.org>signups