Hearing Assists are available at the Sound Booth.

**Save the Date!** Our Annual Church Business Meeting will be held after the worship service on Sunday, January 30, 2022. All are welcome and members are especially encouraged to attend.

**Prime Time**—There will be no Prime Time in January. Because there is so much illness going around, we decided it would be prudent to not have it this month.

**A new women's Bible study will be starting in February.** *God of Covenant*, a Jen WIlkin study of Genesis 12-50, will meet at the home of Linda Nichols on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 starting on February 9. Contact Linda (712-249-7705) if you are interested in joining and for more details.

**For the** month of January, the **Women's Prayer Group** will be meeting on January 15th and January 29th at 8:30 AM at the home of Jan Myers. Regular attendance is not a requirement and women are welcome to join us whenever their schedules allow. For questions or to submit a prayer need, Jan can be reached at 712-249-8615.

**Card Shower for Danielle and Michael:** Friends of the Rossell family would like to invite you to share in a card shower for Danielle Rossell, who married Michael Mardesen in November. If you would like to participate, please place your gift in the designated basket in the fellowship hall by January 30. Gift card ideas would be from Target and Amazon, but use your imagination! Danielle works in Urbandale, and Michael works in Anita and they live in Adair. (Gas cards???) Also - would you please include in your gift one or more of the following: Scripture, advice, recipe? Thank you for helping us bless this couple!

Adult Bible Study opening TODAY, led by Dick and Cindy Nichols. We meet at the church on Sunday nights at 6:30 and we are studying Ephesians. We have been meeting, but could use a few more people to join our group. It will be easy to start in the middle- each session is stand alone.

Please see insert for additional Announcements and Upcoming Events



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# THAT OUR JOY MAY BE COMPLETE

THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

Foundations of Joy John 1:1-4

January 9th, 2022

GRACEPOINT CHURCH

#### WELCOME TO SUNDAY WORSHIP!

Youth Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes

Worship Service

9:15 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Your children are welcome in the worship service. The following ministries are also available:

Nursery

Available during the Worship Service for little ones from Infant—Age 2.

#### **Children's Church**

Available for children 3 years old through 3rd grade during the sermon. Children are dismissed at the end of Worship in Singing.

On major holiday weekends there will be NO Sunday School, NO Children's Church, NO Nursery, and NO Adult Bible Fellowship

Thank you for financially supporting the ministries of our church! Tithes and offerings may be placed in the donations box immediately to the right when you enter the auditorium. They can also be mailed to the church by check, or you can give through our website via PayPal using a credit or debit card. Thank you!

Looking for a place to serve? You can volunteer in music, children's and many more ministries. Email us at serve@GracePointAtlantic.com to get involved.



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Senior Pastor—Don McLean don@GracePointAtlantic.com

Pastor of Student & Worship Discipleship—Andrew Johnson andrew@GracePointAtlantic.com *Remind* for Youth Updates—>Contact Pastor Andrew

Children's Discipleship Director—Pam Russell pam@GracePointAtlantic.com

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To our guests—Thank you for joining us! We're delighted you chose to worship with us! We'd love to meet you, answer any questions and give you a welcome gift at our Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall.

Please be sensitive to other worshippers. We are all in different places in terms of our health needs and comfort levels. Please keep the following in mind:

- The use of a face covering or mask is welcome but not required at our service.
- Cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing. Cough or sneeze into your elbow rather than your hands.
- Practice regular washing of hands with soap and water.
- Overflow seating is available in the Fellowship Hall if you would like to watch the service on the monitor there.
- There will be two songs at the end of the service. If you would like to leave after the first song for the sake of social distancing, you are welcome to do so.



Series: THAT OUR JOY MAY BE COMPLETE Sermon: Foundations of Joy Scripture: 1 John 1:1-4 Speaker: Pastor Don McLean Sunday: January 9, 2022

A Few Facts about First John

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### Additional Announcements and Upcoming Events

<u>Hands of Grace</u> The Women's Ministry Community outreach team will be meeting TODAY right after church for a short meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to brainstorm ideas, get to know each other, and recruit new members. Please join us and bring your ideas!

Winter Jam will be in Des Moines Sat., Jan 22nd. Tickets are \$10 (ages 3 and up). Ron and Pam will take two vehicles of kids whose parents don't attend. Check out the lineup of bands, and let's go!

**Sunday School and Children's Church teachers:** Potluck and meeting after church, **Feb. 6th**. For anyone who enjoys teaching children! We'll share ideas and enjoy fellowship. Ruth McMillen will demonstrate use of the flannel board. Let Pam R. know if you plan to attend.

#### Two classes starting TODAY from 9:15-10:05 AM:

- "Welcome to the GracePoint Family!" Membership Class: Pastor Don will be offering our membership class as a six week Sunday School option. Class will meet in the Community Room. This class is designed for those who want to join GracePoint as members, but it is also a great way to learn more about the church if you are new to GracePoint. If you are interested in attending, please speak to Pastor Don if you have not already done so.
- "Heaven" Study with Randy Alcorn Discover what the Bible says about the eternal home God has prepared for His children. Based on Randy Alcorn's book, Heaven, and his teaching in this area, this 6-week study will feature 15 minute videos, followed by teaching and discussion. This class is open to all adults as well as middle/high school youth, and will meet in the auditorium. Join us in the new year for great learning about the great promise to believers of an eternal home!

**Please check** your email and the church Facebook page regularly for updates from the church about programs, etc. If you have subscribed to our all-church e-mail list, but aren't receiving our e-mails, please check your spam/junk folder and verify that church@gracepointatlantic.com is in your address book/ contacts. If you are not subscribed and would like to be, please e-mail the church office at church@gracepointatlantic.com and request the link to sign up.

## Weather-Related Cancelations Policy

Occasionally it becomes necessary to cancel a church activity or worship service because of inclement weather.

Our policy for weeknight activities such as Awana and youth group is to follow what the Atlantic school district does; if Atlantic schools are closed or dismiss early because of weather, our student activities are also canceled.

For weekend activities, we use our best judgement and take into account any bulletins issued by state and local governments (If the governor says stay off the roads, we probably will!).

When cancelations do become necessary, we post them in the following ways:

- Announcement on KJAN 1220 AM radio and under the "Information You Need" section of the "Community Hub" on www.kjan.com.
- Our website's home page. Visit www.gracepointatlantic.com on your smartphone or computer.
- Our Facebook page. Search for "GracePoint Church" to find us. Click *Like* and *Follow* to see our posts in your newsfeed.
- Youth-ministry related cancelations will be sent out through the "Remind" app/text message.
- An email sent to our all-church contact list. Please contact the church office if you want to be added to our list for this and other important notices.