



GRAHAM STREET

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rooted - Growing - Reaching

July 19, 2026

VBS 2026

VBS IS RAPIDLY APPROACHING

Volunteers are needed!

See Megan Becker

Journey to Egypt:

LIVING THE DREAM

July 26-29 @ 6:00-8:00

3 yrs.-6th gr.



Sign up for our journey with Joseph!



Ministers

Ministers are not known for exorbitant salaries, retirement benefits or even health insurance. Leaders could improve in these areas for sure.

Ministry is a calling and there is a price to pay. Most people in a church have no clue the quiet, often challenging unseen aspects of ministry. The personal conversations, restless nights, grappling with Scripture and the application for the people, week after week. And the interruptions where so much opportunity and ministry happen. Add to this walking through the valley of sorrow (grief, funerals, etc.) with people. And of course, the disappointments, and frustrations of fickle participation and attendance with busy, distracted and at times, “my way or the highway” preferences.

Granted, there are moments of joy —baptisms, worship, and even a sermon that you have poured your heart into and people let you know.

So, how do you keep a minister you know is good for the church? Replacing ministers is costly. It's not just about “the preacher” but other full-time ministers as well. Know this: it is not always about more money. Here are a few things that come to mind from my experience and years of listening to ministers.

Respect the ministers as a human beings who have needs just like you.

Encourage a collaborative relationship with the elder group—gift based mutual ministry.

Provide time and margin for study and reflection for not just preaching but his own life and family.

Talk with, not about the minister.

Accept the minister as God's servant and honor his/her giftedness.

Invest in mentors outside the congregation with whom they can share, safely.

Invite the spouses and children to join a meeting to bless and pray over them.

Finally, it goes a long way for people to actively encourage (cards, notes, texts, emails) and face to face conversations.

Basic Needs News

Basic Needs is on their regular schedule on Thursdays. The donation bin is open. The Food and Clothing Pantries are both open on Thursday mornings from 9:00 to noon.

Over **\$19,000** was collected in the Basic Needs Spring Garage Sale!

This would not be possible without the volunteers and countless donations during the year. Thank you to everyone who helped Basic Needs.

Next Garage Sale is Nov. 1-7



Totals for June 2026

Individuals	524
Families	141
Clothing	16
New Clients	14

We Need Your Plastic Bags!

Love Basket News May 2026 (Dublin)
The Love Basket Served 131 Families and 411 Individuals in (11 new families)



Fill The Pantry!

Basic Needs has an URGENT need for these items: **Cream of Mushroom Soup, 1 lb Spaghetti, Charro Beans**

Your help is very much appreciated!



Baptism

Colt Henson

7/12/2026

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

Romans 6:3-4 (ESV)

Cards of encouragement can be sent to Colton at his home address:

N7641 Fairview Rd Ladysmith, WI 65848

Starting August 16

GPS will host a Fall Semester

Parent & Family
SUPPORT
Group

**Building stronger Families through Marriage and
Parenting Support during Sunday Bible Class Time**

9:00 AM in GPS Room Upstairs

A time for time for prayerful focus on thankfulness, encouragement and mission for your family. David and Vicki Bearden will be your Facilitators.



Upcoming Events

➤ Sunday, July 19 — **David Bearden is offering a class in the auditorium, “Spiritual Fitness”.** Class starts at 9:00.

➤ Sunday, July 19—**Charlie DeLong is out of town.** You are encouraged to come to the Spiritual Fitness class in the auditorium.



➤ Sunday, July 19 —**Worship Service begins at 10:00.** David Bearden will be giving a sermon titled “Grace and Peace”.

➤ Wednesday, July 22—**Wednesday Night Meals are on pause until September**



VBS July 26—29 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

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Trailblazers meetings are on PAUSE until September!
See you then!



Game Night
Every Tuesday from 6:00 to 8:00 in the Family Center
See Le Jones



Soup Kitchen
This Thursday
From 5:30 to 7:00



Quincy Hough; Chance McLeroy; Marilyn Schulze is now in Good Tree Memory Care; Vicki Bearden; Ray Sissom; Darell Belcher, Vincent Lopez; Billy & Linda Powell; Mildred Buchanan; Dwain & Karen Bills; Kenneth Wylie; Theresa Young; Ron Wilhite; Grady King; Mary Havens; Jody Caudle; Ron Powell's mother, Frances, who has been put on hospice; Ronnie Moring;; Darrell Tucker;

Giving Update

Contribution 07/05/2026	\$ 14,218	Budget for 2026	\$ 13,500
Contribution 07/12/2026	\$ 10,491		
Contribution YTD	\$ 316,945	YTD Budget for 2026	\$ 378,000

Percentage of 2026 YTD Contribution Budget 83.58%

Tri-C Parsonage Remodel Budget = \$75,000 \$23,250 Collected Percentage: 31.0%

Texans For Christ Campus Ministry

Charlie DeLong is leading a Young Adult Discussion Class on Revelation during the summer months in Room 109 on Sunday Mornings at 9:00 (When Charlie is out July 19 & July 26, everyone can go to the Spiritual Fitness class in the auditorium.)



Celebrate Recovery
Monday Evenings, 6:30 p.m.
Family Center

If you are New or Visiting? Connect with Us! Use your phone camera to scan this QR Code and fill out a Connection form online!

QR Code to access Connection Form





Heart | Soul | Mind | Strength
Graham Street Youth Group



TEENS

Children's Ministry



For ages 3—1st Grade
*Volunteers See
Courtney McGuire *



Children's Bible Lessons in
their usual locations at
9:00 a.m.



There **WILL NOT BE** Children's Church during the
summer months (but that could change if we get
volunteers to help this summer)

Children's Church Teachers Needed!
See Courtney McGuire or Whitney Oliver



The next Children's Ministry
Meeting will be on Sunday, August
9th, immediately following worship
service in Room 109.

VBS 7/26—7/29

Volunteers Needed for VBS

See Megan Becker

Youth Group News

**Friday Night Game Nights at Family
Center from 5:00 to 7:00 (Looking for
Hosts)**

Every Thursday morning from 9:00 to
11:00, the youth are encouraged to
volunteer in Basic Needs throughout the
summer.

Meeting Times Sunday

Classes 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Class 6:30

Church Office Hours

Mon-Thurs. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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