

Northern Illinois Conference 2022 One Matters Award

Grace United Methodist Church in Blue Island Lake South

In the past year Grace United Methodist Church in Blue Island Ill, has seen, with joy, increases in attendance, membership, baptisms, Confirmations, and Sunday School.

Pastor has conducted 10 baptisms recently. We have welcomed six new members into our congregation, including two who have immediately become very active in our church.

Within this current program year, we experienced an increased weekly attendance at Sunday services, modest but encouraging. Our pastor's wife is leading a Sunday School class for 6-10 children during church services. We have six youth in Confirmation class; there have not been any Confirmation classes for several years. We will have two confirmands join the church this Spring.

These gains are significant in a congregation that has steadily dwindled in the last 10-15 years.

