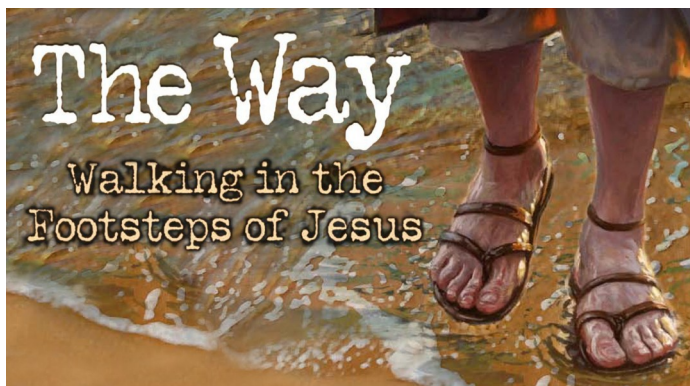


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**Week of March 3, 2013**



**Join us  
On Sunday  
As our  
Message  
Series  
Continues!**

## **TURN AROUND BOUTIQUE & THRIFT STORE!**

**Open on Saturday 10am—3pm and Open on Sunday 10am—3pm**



*All Clothing is \$1.00 in the main store, and \$3.00—\$5.00 in the boutique! Right now there are several Liz Claiborne purses! You will find a bargain! Once per month, all clothes are 50% off! Stop and Shop!*

*And why not volunteer to work a shift per month? So many of our new guests we see in our worship services first come from visiting the Thrift Store—you can be a part of this Great “Reach Team” adventure! Make friends and find purpose!*

**Mark your “Let’s Connect Card” on Sunday or Wednesday to work in the Thrift Store!**

# God's Vision for Grace Church:

To partner with God in transforming people from unbelievers to fully devoted disciples of Jesus to the glory of God!

*How do we live out that vision?*

**REACH !    CONNECT !    FORM !    SEND !**

We seek to **REACH** people who need Jesus,  
**CONNECT** them to God and other Christ followers,  
**FORM** them to have a growing relationship with Jesus,  
and **SEND** them into the world to serve God and others!

## Message from Pastor Arlene:

The season of Lent is the 40 days before Easter, so we are in the season of Lent right now. As Christ followers, it is good to take specific times to remember how Jesus saved us. Lent is a time like that. As Easter approaches, we begin to examine ourselves to see what in us needs attention. Is there a resentment still brewing against someone? Is there an addiction or an anger that is left untended? Or perhaps there is a lack of purpose, or we have fallen prey to thinking we have control over others, or that we "know everything". Jesus can help us overcome these sins and we can be restored to peace. It is good to take this time during Lent to remember that Jesus died on the cross so we could have peace from all this and more. I, for one, think many times that I can take care of my own problems, and that if it all gets "too hard" then I will turn to Jesus. But really, Jesus sacrificed so we could come to him with the struggles of life first, not last. Lent is a good time to reflect on these things!



Join us this Sunday as we continue our message series entitled "**The Way**", as we walk through the life and ministry of Jesus to discover how Jesus can become our way of life. We will also share Holy Communion on Sunday and Wednesday, and I invite you to experience the forgiveness of Jesus! I am with you in the journey!

Blessings,

*Pastor Arlene Jackson*

[ajackson@egracechurch.com](mailto:ajackson@egracechurch.com)

## YOU COUNT TO GOD AND TO US!

### Worship Attendance by Campus Feb 18-24, 2013:

Cape Coral Campus: 1806

Grace Community Center: 222

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 249

Fort Myers Central Campus: 329

### Fort Myers Central Campus Giving:

General Fund: \$3,537.17

Missions: \$85.45



# All About WORSHIP

**Organist:** Dr. R. Thad Goodwin [btsdad@aol.com](mailto:btsdad@aol.com)

**Choir Leader:** Robin Ziel [robinleez@comcast.net](mailto:robinleez@comcast.net)

**Worship Leader:** Pastor Jedson Rodrigues [jrodrigues@egracechurch.com](mailto:jrodrigues@egracechurch.com)

**Band Leader:** Chris Jackson [coj1234@hotmail.com](mailto:coj1234@hotmail.com)

## Worship Times:

Sunday Traditional Service at 8:30am (hymns, organ, robes!)

Sunday Contemporary Service at 10am & 11:30am (a kickin' band & jeans!)

Wednesday Contemporary Service at 6:30pm (a bit of everything!)

### EASTER MORNING Worship Times:

**6:30am Sunrise - City of Palms Stadium across the street**

**10:00am One service here at church-blend of music styles!**  
(Breakfast ends at 9:50am on Easter morning!)



**Holy Communion This Sunday and Wednesday!** Celebrate the Lord's Supper with us the first Sunday of the month, as well as the Wednesday that follows. The Lord's table is open to anyone who needs the love and grace of Jesus in their lives!

**Wednesday Worship:** This week Pastor Jedson will share a lesson and we will share in Holy Communion. Next week: Band Night!

**Musicians and Singers Wanted!** Sing with the praise band on Sunday...or can you play an instrument? We're looking for your desire to help others to worship! Contact Pastor Jedson to be a singer, or Chris Jackson to join the band!

**Tech Booth!** If you know your way around a sound board or a power point presentation, you can be behind the scenes on Sunday or Wednesday to make sure the worship presentation goes smoothly! Contact Chris or Pastor Jedson.



**PRAISE FEST TICKETS!** See Chris (drummer) to buy tickets for March 9th at Centennial Park from noon to 10pm! \$5.00 if you get them now, but \$10 at the gate. A whole day of praise music!



# CHILDREN & YOUTH

**Director of Children's Ministry: Venia Joray** [ladyandthestamps@gmail.com](mailto:ladyandthestamps@gmail.com)  
**Middle & High School Leader: Shannon Kania** [Shannon.Kania@gmail.com](mailto:Shannon.Kania@gmail.com)

## Babies and Toddlers!

We love your little ones. Grace Church provides quality loving care during Sunday contemporary worship services and on Wednesday evenings!


## Grace Kidz!


Calling all Elementary School aged children for crafts, Bible learning, worship and games during Sunday a.m. contemporary worship services as well as Wednesday evening worship.

## Seeking Children Ministry Volunteers!

If you have been worshipping at Grace Church for at least 6 months and are willing to be background screened and trained to work with children, God can use you in amazing ways in a child's life! Have fun and make a difference! Contact Venia.

**Child Protection Class!** Anyone who works with our children or youth must be current on this class! Next date is Sunday, March 24 at the Cape Campus. See Venia for more information.

 **Easter Bunny Coming Soon!!!** The Easter Bunny is on his way...and he's bringing the Easter Eggs to hide and seek! Saturday March 30th at 10AM. Free Pics with the Bunny, Candy, Crafts, and Games! Ages 2-11

 **Start bringing the CANDY!** Our annual Easter Egg Hunt and party will be here before we know it. We need lots of Candy for our kids. Individually wrapped candy of all kinds will be greatly appreciated. Leave candy at the Welcome Desk in the candy bin.

## Youth Group!

Middle School and High School students gather to hang out on Wednesday night at 6:30 for dinner, interaction with the regular worship service, as well as bible study, prayer, games, and general fun in the Youth House. Must like music, Lock-ins, movies, road trips and food!

## Want to help with Youth Group?

See Miss Shannon! You'll know her...she's the one with teens all around her!


# REACH MINISTRY



**Reach Leader: Chris Jackson** [coj1234@hotmail.com](mailto:coj1234@hotmail.com)  
**Thrift Store Leader: Judith Seright** [serightjudith@yahoo.com](mailto:serightjudith@yahoo.com)

**TURN AROUND Boutique and Thrift Store!** Now Open Saturday and Sunday, 10am—3pm! Designer Fashions \$3 and \$5, all other clothes \$1 and a treasure trove of items you can't live without. Come and Shop! All Proceeds go to the ministry of Grace Church. Best Thrift Store Downtown!

**Volunteer at TURN AROUND!** Make connections with the neighborhood, and let them know all about our church! Plus lead the customers to the best bargains. Join this crazy team of sorters, sellers, checkers and stockers. Lend an ear and a hand to our neighbors! Email Judy and take a shift!

 **Do you love your Church?** If you like to invite people to church to let them experience the love of Jesus, then please attend our Reach Team meeting on Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30pm. We'll talk about some current plans, some future plans and schedules and ways to invite our community to this wonderful church! Let's also think about some Random Acts of Kindness and other ways to show God's love.



## CONNECT MINISTRY

**Connect Leader: Ed Horne** [dukeoakfan@comcast.net](mailto:dukeoakfan@comcast.net)

**The Men's Club!** Every man is welcome, every second Thursday at 6:30pm. Meet in the Dining Hall for dinner, prayer, projects, speakers, and general friendship with a few dozen of your new pals.

**Free Movie Night!** The first Saturday of every month, come enjoy a free movie on the big screen, and free popcorn! This month: **"Thou Shalt Laugh!"** Plus you can buy hot dogs or nachos. Bring some friends, or come and make new ones!

## **CONNECT MINISTRY** continued...



**Visitation Team!** Come join us to visit, call, email or write those who are new to our church. We try to contact each new visitor every week. Perhaps your heart leans toward those who are ill or shut-in, this team visits those people as well. Talk with Ed or mark your Let's Connect card.

**Guarding the Tomb!** Every year from Good Friday until Easter Sunday morning, Acts of Grace recreates the tomb of Jesus on the corner of Edison and Grand. Round-the-clock "mourning women" and "Centurion soldiers" surround the tomb. Can you take an hour or two slot? 24/7 needed! Contact Ed for all "Acts of Grace" productions.

**Food, Glorious Food!** Every week the Kitchen Team serves over 350 meals to people...with no budget to buy the food! All donations of food are appreciated...or put a few dollars in the donation jar. Then come and enjoy the home cookin'!

**Hospitality Volunteers!** Are you friendly? Then you can help on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings at the Welcome Desk, as a greeter, or as an usher. You can serve in the parking lot and wear the cool orange day-glo vest! A great way to meet absolutely everyone! Email or see Ed!



# FORM MINISTRY

**Form Leader: Sharon Davis**

[sdavis@egracechurch.com](mailto:sdavis@egracechurch.com)

**Go Deeper!** Discuss the Sunday Message series "The Way" every Sunday at 11:30am in Room #3 Understand more about who Jesus is and your relationship with him!

**Prayer Team!** Everyone needs prayer. This team prays over the Let's Connect Cards, the seats in the sanctuary, the Pastor, the church, and the people who come to the altar rail during worship services. Prayer works! Talk to Sharon about joining this team.

**Walk to Emmaus!** A 3 day spiritual retreat that will grow and deepen your relationship with Jesus. You will be changed forever by this spiritual experience. Applications and info are on the "Form" Wall.

**University of the Holy Spirit!** The Grace Church daily Bible reading and devotion plan where you are guaranteed to get a personal word from God every single day! See the "Form" wall or contact Sharon Davis for more details.



**Wired Class is coming!** Want to know how God has wired you for ministry? Find your spiritual gifts, personal style, and your passion for ministry in this class. April 13. Save the date! Details to follow!!



# SEND MINISTRY

**Send Leader: Terry Rhodes**

[trlpn@aol.com](mailto:trlpn@aol.com)



**Costa Rica Mission Trip!** Applications for the next mission trip to Costa Rica are on the **SEND** board. Applications are due March 9th. The trip is September 14-21, 2013.



**Franklin Park Elementary School!** Our "local mission partner"! On March 21st from 4-8pm is our next opportunity to volunteer and make a difference. Help set up for a special presentation. Other opportunities available are; working in the library, and mentoring students one on one. Contact Bill Guyn at 995-2199, or mark you your Let's Connect card.

**Are you passionate about going near and far for Jesus?** If so, SEND team may be the place for you. Our team coordinates missions locally and globally. Our next meeting will be March 13th at 5:30pm come see if this is your fit!

## RECOVERY MEETINGS



**Men's Recovery Leader: Scott Thornton**

[Scotthardythornton@yahoo.com](mailto:Scotthardythornton@yahoo.com)

**Women's Recovery Leader: Sarah McMillan** [smcmillan@egracechurch.com](mailto:smcmillan@egracechurch.com)

**Monday:** CA at 8:00pm

**Tuesday:** CA at 8:00pm

**Wednesday:** 12 Steps for Christians for Men at 8:00pm  
12 Steps for Christians for Women at 8:00pm

**Thursday:** AA at 7:00pm

**Friday:** AA at 8:00pm

**INTENSIVE 12 STEP STUDIES!** Watch this section for dates and times of year-long step studies where you actually work through your steps. If you are interested in a step study, contact Sarah or Scott!

# GRACE CHURCH...one church in many locations!

## CAPE CORAL CAMPUS

13 SE 21st Place  
Cape Coral, FL 33990  
239.574.7161

### Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional  
10:00AM - Contemporary  
11:30AM - Contemporary

## FORT MYERS CENTRAL CAMPUS

2415 Grand Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
239.334.3160

### Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional  
10:00AM - Contemporary  
11:30AM - Contemporary  
(WED) 6:30PM - Contemporary

## FORT MYERS SHORES CAMPUS

14036 Matanzas Drive  
Fort Myers, FL 33905  
239.694.2797

### Worship Times:

10:00AM - Contemporary  
11:30AM - Traditional

## GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER

4151 Hancock Bridge Pkwy  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  
239.656.1320

### Worship Times:

10:00AM - Contemporary

## GCC THRIFT STORE

4151 Hancock Bridge Pkwy  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  
239.656.0122

### Hours:

Tues-Sat: 10AM - 4PM  
Wednesdays: 10AM - 5:30PM

## FMC THRIFT STORE

2415 Grand Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
239.244.5712

### Hours:

Saturday: 10AM - 3PM  
Sunday: 10AM - 3PM



## CROSS-CAMPUS Events & Activities

**Send Global Seminar!** Discover—God's Love for the World—Your purpose in God's Great Commission Plan—A New Perspective on the People of the World. The Send Global Seminar is Saturday, March 9, 2013—9-4pm Lunch provided at Cape Campus—Connections Café.

**Women of Grace Annual Retreat!** April 6-7, cost is \$82 person and it includes everything! Ladies you need some time with Jesus! Contact Jana 574-7161

**100 Year Celebration!** Fort Myers Shores Campus, Bluegrass festival, food, bring your lawn chair and enjoy all day long! March 16th from 3 to 9pm. For more info, call the church 694-2797 and speak with Leigh Jarvis or email her [lj Jarvis@egracechurch.com](mailto:lj Jarvis@egracechurch.com).



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