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Week of:
Mar. 23, 2014

News

Sunday Series
This week: ONE VOICE!



ONE MISSION | ONE SPIRIT | ONE VOICE



*You are Invited to the
Ladies Luncheon*

Saturday, March 29

10am—2pm

*No Charge to Attend
But Ticket Required!*

*Please get yours at the Office
Bring a friend or relative!*

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!

Our Values at Grace Church:

1. We are unashamedly God centered!
2. We are passionately People-focused!
3. We are strategically Team Based!

Our Strategy for Making Disciples at Grace Church:

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!

A Message from Pastor Arlene: An excerpt from Pastor Arlene's University of the Holy Spirit daily devotion, Monday, March 17, 2014:

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 2:15—*The person with the Spirit makes judgments about all things, but such a person is not subject to merely human judgments, for, who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.*



Observation: The Apostle Paul is speaking words to the people of Corinth, but he wants them to know that the words are not just his own, they are from God. This is a big leap, to say you speak for God, but Paul says that when we have the Holy Spirit of God in us, we have the mind of Christ and so we can do this.

Application: What a frightening and awe-inspiring thing it is to know that I, and every person who says yes to Jesus and follows Jesus has been given the Holy Spirit who will give us Jesus' accurate interpretation of everything that happens in life inside of us and around us. It is easy to want to discard this responsibility of knowing the mind of Christ (and acting upon what we know) as too difficult or just for hyper-spiritual prophetic types of people. But no, it's for me, too. I have the mind of Christ because the Holy Spirit lives in me.

Prayer: Lord, keep me abiding in your Son Jesus Christ. Keep me trusting him, resting in my identity as his child, and relinquishing control of my life to him. This will allow me to hear the Holy Spirit, and know that what I hear comes from the mind of your Son, Jesus Christ, and not just from me. I love you, Lord. Amen.

Pastor Arlene Jackson ajackson@egracechurch.com



All About WORSHIP

Organist: Dr. R. Thad Goodwin btsdad@aol.com

Choir Leader: Robin Ziel robinleez@comcast.net

Worship Leader: Pastor Jedson Rodrigues jrodrigues@egracechurch.com

Band Leader: Chris Jackson coj1234@hotmail.com

Worship Times:

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

Sunday Contemporary Service at 10:00am (a kickin' band & jeans!)

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

Holy Communion: We always share the "Lord's Supper" the first Sunday of every month. We experience the grace of God through this holy ritual. All who need Jesus in their lives are invited and welcome to participate; that means you! We use grape juice for those who cannot drink alcohol. Experience Jesus with us.

Wednesday Night Worship:



It's Testimony Night!

We will hear a testimony of God's grace at work in the life of **Robert M.** Robert will remind us that with God, all things are possible, and that all things can be overcome and redeemed by the grace and power of Jesus Christ! You do not want to miss it. Worship at 6:30, Dinner at 7:30, 12 Step Groups for men and women at 8:00, and **The New Marriage Class will continue @ 8:15pm.**

Ingathering of Food! Be part of our food ministry that serves over 300 meals a week by bringing canned fruits, veggies, and nonperishables to the basket in the sanctuary.



CHILDREN & YOUTH

Director of Children's Ministry: Venia Joray vjoray@egracechurch.com

Middle & High School Leader: Shannon Kania Shannon.Kania@gmail.com

Babies and Toddlers!

We love your little ones. Grace Church provides quality loving care during Sunday contemporary worship service 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 & Wednesday evening worship.

All About Easter Morning!

Grace Kidz will be spending the next 4 weeks preparing for and learning all about Easter. Parents: Grace Kids will be sharing music with the congregation Easter morning!

Donations Needed!

Donations of candy for Egg Hunt are now being accepted.

Egg Hunt:

Plan to attend our Egg Hunt, Saturday, 10:00am April 19th. Crafts, Candy, Eggs and more! Join us and bring a friend!

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! The youth will be using the Discovery 2014 material and studying, "What we Believe". This week our youth will be learning about the Way of Discipleship, the Way of Salvation, and Wesleyan Quadrilateral.

Youth House Wish List!

Looking to clean out your old Xbox Games, we are hoping for E or T rated games to add to our collection. We also need additional Xbox controllers and battery packs. We are always in need of "Snack Food" for the teens, chips, pop corn, cookies, and drinks.

REACH MINISTRY



Reach Leader: Chris Jackson coj1234@hotmail.com
Thrift Store Leader: Judith Seright serightjudith@yahoo.com

NEW THRIFT STORE HOURS: FRIDAY—MONDAY 10AM—3PM

Volunteer at TURN AROUND! Make connections with the neighborhood, and let them know all about our church! Join this crazy team of sorters, sellers, checkers and stockers. Lend an ear and a hand to our neighbors! Are you good at lifting, sorting, and stocking shelves, then contact Judy to work during the week. Email Judy and take a shift!

Reach Team Meeting! Come join this group and begin to plan the next exciting way to reach the neighborhood for Christ. We will be meeting on Sunday, March 30th after the 10:00am worship service to brainstorm ways to reach the community for Jesus through random acts of kindness! Bring your ideas, or come listen to others and see how you might get involved. Remember, "Preach the gospel at all times, and if necessary, use words!" Contact Chris Jackson at the above email for more information.



CONNECT MINISTRY

Connect Leader: Ed Horne dukeoakfan@comcast.net

Food, Glorious Food! Every week the Kitchen Team serves over 350 meals ...with no budget to buy the food! All donations of food are appreciated. Some of the items we always need are as follows: coffee, lemonade mix, pancake mix, peanut butter, jelly, yellow rice, dishwashing soap, cereal, powdered coffee creamer, sugar and did I mention **COFFEE**. Donate any of these items or anything else you might have by dropping them in the "Food Basket" located inside the sanctuary door and don't forget to come and enjoy the good food!

Free Movie Night! Our free movie in April will be on Saturday April 12th starting at 7pm. Come join the family and watch "Seasons of Gray", a modern day retelling of the story of Joseph and his coat of many colors, as always there will be free popcorn!!

CONNECT MINISTRY continued...



Women of Grace Central Luncheon! A scarlet women to a queen after God's heart, we all have a purpose from God. Please join us in fellowship with your sisters at Grace Central as we learn about these superwomen of the bible. Saturday, March 29, 2014 10:00am-2:00pm. This is a free event and lunch will be provided, but pre-registration is required. Mark your "Let's Connect" cards for more information.



Guarding of the Tomb!! It's that time again. We will be constructing the tomb on the corner of Edison and Grand Avenues and showing our neighborhood what Easter can mean in their lives. From Good Friday through Easter Sunrise we reenact the scene at the tomb as it might have been in the time of Jesus. This requires volunteers to dress in our costumes and take a shift as a guard or as a mourner. Sign up for your shift in the hallway at the display or mark your "Let's Connect" card for more information.



Chess Anyone? Would you like to play or learn to play chess? This new group would love for you to join them and enjoy the game of chess as you grow together in Christ. The group meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30pm. Mark your "Let's Connect" card, contact Connect Leader, Ed Horne, or just show up and enjoy the new friends.



FORM MINISTRY

Form Leader: Sharon Davis
sdavis@egracechurch.com

What Are You Waiting For? Isn't it time you joined the Family? Our next membership class will be held Sunday, April 27th from 11:30—4pm. Mark your "Let's Connect" card if you are interested in making Grace Church your church home.

Walk to Emmaus! The object of the Gulf Coast Walk to Emmaus is to inspire, challenge, and equip the body of Christ in Southwest Florida for Christian Action. This is a 3 day retreat. If you haven't been on this walk and would like to attend, check the FORM wall for an application. Next walks are: Men, May 22-25, 2014 and Women, May 29-June 1, 2014.

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! This quarter's bookmarks are on the "Form" wall or contact Sharon Davis for more details.



SEND MINISTRY

Send Leader: Terry Rhodes
trlpn@aol.com

Mission Bucket Focus — March, April and May we will focus on our Nicaragua missions and all the money collected in the metal buckets will go toward those missions.

Franklin Park Local Mission Partner— It's that time again. Bring in those school supplies. Our final supply drop for this school year will be in mid-March. Items needed are: Pencils, Paper, Glue Sticks, Crayons, & 3-Pronged Folders. Items you could provide for the teachers are: Kleenex, Copy Paper, Hand Sanitizer, and Gallon Size Plastic Bags. Bring in any or all of these items to be a blessing to our mission partner!

RECOVERY MEETINGS



Men's Recovery Leader: Scott Thornton Scotthardythornton@yahoo.com

Women's Recovery Leader: Sarah McMillan 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

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
(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:

Fri-Sat-Sun-Mon
10AM - 3PM



CROSS-CAMPUS

Events & Activities

Stay tuned for upcoming activities as we enter the Easter season!

YOU COUNT TO GOD AND TO US!

Worship Attendance by Campus March 10—16, 2014!

Cape Coral Campus: 1,761

Grace Community Center: 246

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 216

Fort Myers Central Campus: 340

Fort Myers Central Campus Giving:

General Fund: \$6,885.00

Missions: \$1,050.24



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