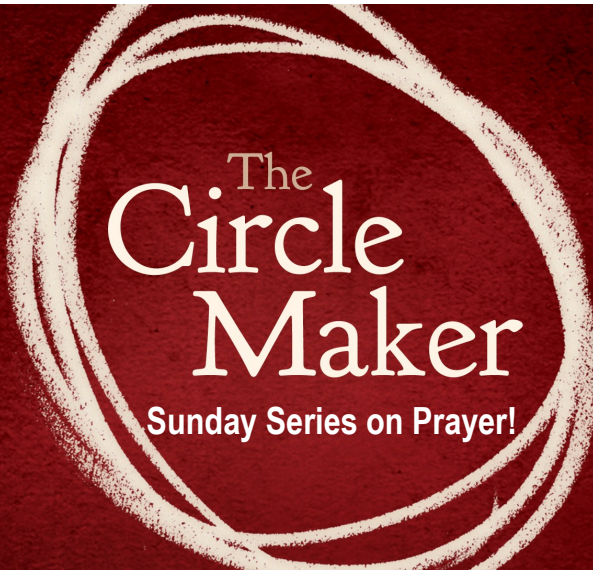


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Week of:
November 2, 2014

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CHURCH News



Celebrate
Recovery

BBQ 6pm
Large Group 6:45
Small Groups 8pm

KICK OFF THIS MONDAY NIGHT!



MEMBERSHIP CLASS
YOU'RE INVITED after church!

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:

From Mark 4:41: "They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and waves obey him!"

My Observation: In this passage, Jesus spends a long day teaching the crowds, then he gets into a boat with his disciples and heads over to the other side, presumably to get some peace and quiet. But while they are going across, a storm comes that threatens to capsize the boat. Jesus peacefully sleeps, and his hysterical disciples wake him up. It must have been quite a storm because these are fishermen who have seen storms all their life and they are scared to death. Jesus wakes up and with a word the storm disappears just like that. The disciples know they have just experienced something both terrifying and magnificent. They have been with Jesus constantly and yet just now they ask, "Who is this?" Jesus has opened their eyes to who he truly is.

My Application: When is the last time that Jesus opened your eyes to who he really is, took your breath away as you saw his power, splendor and glory? This is God who can do anything, change anything, make anything happen, he can heal and save, create and destroy, with a word from his mouth. Have you opened your eyes to Jesus today?

My Prayer Today: Jesus, you are the God of the universe, you are not just a story or a convenient helper from time to time. You are almighty, with all power to do anything. I bow before you today, Jesus, humble in your presence. Thank you for letting me be with you in the journey.

Pastor Arlene Jackson ajackson@egracechurch.com





All About WORSHIP

Pianist: Amy Carothers

Choir Leader: Robin Tkac robinleez@comcast.net

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 Let's share the Lord's Supper together today (the first Sunday of the month) and this Wednesday. Anyone who desires the healing and help of Jesus Christ can come to this table. Come as you are, leave strengthened and fed by our Lord!

Monday Celebrate Recovery Worship Service and small groups!" If you have a hurt, a habit, or a hang-up that is hurting your relationship with God, with others, and with yourself, this is the perfect healing place for you. Dinner will begin at 6:00, Worship will begin at 6:45, and 12 step recovery groups will start at 8:00. Break every chain through the power of our mighty God!

All About Wednesday Worship! This week: LESSON NIGHT! We will continue the series "Transforming Your Mind" with a lesson by Sam Rodriguez! Each Wednesday you can expect something a little different. The first and third Wednesdays of the month are "lesson" nights, the second Wednesday is "Band Night" where we worship all the hour, and the fourth Wednesday is "testimony" night. If there is a fifth Wednesday we hold a "prayer night." Something for everyone! Worship begins at 6:30pm. Afterwards, enjoy free dinner at 7:30, and Christian 12 Step meetings: one for men, one for women at 8:00. Come be refueled by God in the middle of the week!



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.

GRACE KIDZ— is looking forward to the Fall with pumpkin activities, gratitude lessons and how God loves each of us just like pumpkins in a patch - all different!!

INVESTORS NEEDED— Sign up in the welcome center to bring in an item or help with props, set up, snack making, skits, decorating, etc. There is a place for everyone! Children are the future of the church - INVEST today!

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!

Middle School youth are working on "Just don't do it!" information on bullying. This is an issue they face everyday. This group will be covering this issue through November.

Senior High youth are studying different people of the bible and will be using the following schedule: **This Week:** 11/5/14 King David—"My heart beats for His." 11/12/14 Band Night or Movie Night with Middle School, 11/19/14 Joshua—"What if I'm not ready?" 11/26/14 Family Dinner Night—"Let's give thanks."

REACH MINISTRY



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

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!

Time to Plan!! As we ready for the biggest event of the year, we need teams of people to make our 2014 Community Festival the BEST EVER! The event takes place on Saturday, December 6 from 11am - 3pm and features free food, free kids games, free entertainment, booths from community partners, face painting, pictures with Santa, ticket for Movie Night, and on and on and on! This year, we are expecting 1000 guests and need your help in ALL of these areas: food, prize solicitation, entertainment, set-up, clean-up, kids games, cakewalk, community partners, admission table, publicity, and more! Let's talk now, before our **next meeting Today Sunday, November 2**, after the 10am church service. Call or text Chris Jackson (239) 471-4001



CONNECT MINISTRY

Connect Leader: Sharon Woods skaywoods63@gmail.com

Food, Glorious Food! Every week the Kitchen Team serves over 500 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, juice, 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 office and don't forget to come and enjoy the good food!

CONNECT MINISTRY continued...

Hospitality Volunteers! Are you friendly? That is all it takes to help for Sunday or Wednesday 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! Mark your "Let's Connect" card and we'll contact you!

Chess Anyone? Come join the fun with the Kings & Queens chess group. They meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30pm. Skill is not required.

Membership—Thinking about joining our family? Today, November 2nd is our membership class. If you are going to be a part of this class please pick up your "red folder" at the Welcome Desk or in the office. The folder contains information you will need to complete **before** coming to class.



FORM MINISTRY

Form Leader: Sharon Davis

sdavis@egracechurch.com

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: Men's: January 15-18. Women's: January 22-25, 2015.

Men's Emmaus Reunion Group—Attention all men who have been on their walk, we are forming a new reunion group. This group will meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm. Mark your "Let's Connect" card for more information.

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! Bookmarks now available for October—December. Never done the "UHS"? Start with the Matthew 28 day challenge or the Acts 28 day challenge. Book marks are on the FORM wall!!

Prayer— How is your prayer life? If we are honest, most of us would say it could use some work. Someone has said that when we work, "*we work*", but when we pray, *God* works. His strength is available to praying people. There are several very good books on prayer, including the Bible, to help you to begin a daily prayer life. Over the next several weeks begin by praying some of these Psalms: 3, 23, psalm 31:1-5, 51:1-12, and psalm 139:1-18. Give it a try and let me know how God speaks to you.

Small Groups — If you have been looking to join a small group, you will like this new format. It only takes getting together with two or three friends. All material is provided!! The new material is here, pick it up in the office and register your group. Contact Sharon for more information .



SEND MINISTRY

Send Leader: Terry Rhodes

trlpn@aol.com

Mission Prayer Focus: Each week there are cards of encouragement to sign in the hallway. This week we are asking you to sign the card as well as focus your prayers on our mission partner Lifeline Family Center. Lifeline provides young women in crisis pregnancy a safe home and learning environment. Their Two-year Christian residential program prepares teen moms and their babies to become God-dependent, self-supporting contributing members of society.

Franklin Park Elementary— A big thanks to all who donated school supplies, the next delivery will be early January. The items needed are: lined paper, glue sticks, 3-pronged folders, and crayons. Drop them in the donation box in the hall.

Save the Dates! Operation InAsMuch service day March 7, 2015. More info to come.

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

Celebrate Recovery Kick-off November 3rd.

Monday we will be rolling out our Celebrate Recovery program. Bar B Q starts at 6pm if you want to eat prior to the meeting. Large group worship is from 6:45 to 7:45 and small groups start at 8pm.

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:

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

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

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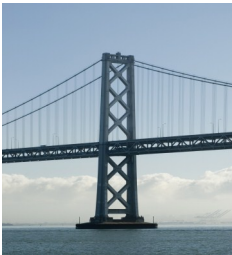
Tues-Sat: 10AM - 4PM
Wednesdays: 10AM - 5:30PM

FMC THRIFT STORE

2415 Grand Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901
239.244.5712

Hours:

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



CROSS-CAMPUS Events & Activities

Volunteer Appreciation Dessert! Calling all volunteers at all campuses of Grace Church to a "Thank You" celebration. Monday, November 17th at 6:30pm. This event is being held at the Grace Community Center, 4151 Hancock Bridge Pkwy, North Fort Myers.

YOU COUNT TO GOD AND TO US!

Worship Attendance by Campus October 20—26, 2014!

Cape Coral Campus: 1,565

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 209

Grace Community Center: 209

Fort Myers Central Campus: 350

Fort Myers Central Campus Giving:

General Fund: \$1,867.94

Missions: \$63.00



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