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CREED

*October 19, 2016*

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

\*The word “catholic” in the Apostles’ Creed refers not to the Roman Catholic Church, but to the “universal,” global church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*“I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.”*

John 17:20-21 (NLT)

### What does it mean to say, “I believe?”

1. **Belief is** \_\_\_\_\_.

*And Abram believed the Lord, and the Lord counted him as righteous because of his faith.*

Genesis 15:6 (NLT)

2. **Belief is** \_\_\_\_\_.

*The father instantly cried out, “I do believe, but help me overcome my unbelief!”*

Mark 9:24 (NLT)

3. **Belief is** \_\_\_\_\_.

*We proclaim to you the one who existed from the beginning, whom we have heard and seen. We saw him with our own eyes and touched him with our own hands. He is the Word of life. This one who is life itself was revealed to us, and we have seen him. And now we testify and proclaim to you that he is the one who is eternal life. He was with the Father, and then he was revealed to us. We proclaim to you what we ourselves have actually seen and heard so that you may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that you may fully share our joy.*

1 John 1:1-4 (NLT)

# GRACE NEWS

*If you want more information or to volunteer with any of these opportunities, please make a note on the Let's Connect card.*

**Set your alarm for 9:41** and pray Matthew 9:38. Daily. 'Ask the Lord of the Harvest, therefore, to send out the workers into his harvest field.' Pray for confirmation & engagement of people for the launch.

**Join a Launch Team** – Usher, Parking, Hospitality, Greeters, Worship/Tech, Age Level, Facilities, Media, Starting Point, Prayer.

**Fresh Expressions Spark Day**, Saturday, November 5th, 9am-3pm. It's a great way to discover more about Fresh Expressions and how it is renewing the church. Discover tools to start a Fresh Expressions of your own. At Harvest UMC, Lakewood Ranch, Bradenton

**Discover Grace**, Sunday, Nov. 6th 4-6pm: Learn more about Grace Church, who we are and what we do. Also for those interested in calling Grace Church your spiritual home, membership or baptism.

**Starting Point**, Mondays, 6-8pm: A 9 week course where it is a safe place for people with questions about Faith as well as those who want to learn about the Bible and Christianity.

**Wednesday Weekly Prayer** 12-1pm in the worship center.

**Weekly "Campus Workdays"** every Saturday from 8 to 12.

# LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

Date:     /     /

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Best way to contact you: \_\_\_\_\_

## I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

I would like to meet with the pastor.

## MY DECISION TODAY

- I said **YES** for the first time, and became a follower of Jesus.
- I decided to **RENEW** my relationship with Jesus.

*We have resources to help you with your decision.*

# HAVES

If you have any gifts, talents, professional skills, or life experiences that you are willing to use to help others or to help grow Grace Church, please list here:

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# NEEDS

If you are in need of prayer, a skilled professional, or simply someone to connect with who has been through a similar difficult life experience that you are currently facing, please describe need here:

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*To confidentially discuss **haves** or **needs** with the pastor, please call 941.966.3306 for an appointment.*

## SMART GIVING

go to: [egracechurch.com/give](http://egracechurch.com/give)

-OR-

text any amount to: 941.200.1515

An effective and time-saving way to give your tithes and offerings without carrying cash or writing checks.



**Grace Kidz** are meeting on Saturday mornings from 11-12:30 to learn the Bible, do crafts and have a snack!

**University of the Holy Spirit** Bible study is meeting on Saturday mornings from 11-12:30.

**Sprout Food Ministry** 2nd and 4th Thursday 10am – noon in the parking lot.

# SCHEDULE

**University of the Holy Spirit:**  
Bible Study, Saturdays 11am-12:30pm

**Grace Kidz:**  
Saturdays, 11am-12:30pm

**Acts 2:42 Weekly Gathering:**  
Wednesday Evenings 6-8pm

**Wednesday Prayer:**  
12-1pm

**Sprout Food Ministry:**  
2nd and 4th Thursday, 10-12 in the parking lot



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