COME HELL OR HIGH WATER



April 1, 2018

MESSAGE NOTES

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Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

For we live by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7 (NIV)

Why should I have faith in Jesus?
1. Jesus wants to be my
The women ran quickly from the tomb. They were very frightened but also filled with great joy, and they rushed to give the disciples the angel's message. And as they went, Jesus met them and greeted them. And they ran to him, grasped his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Don't be afraid! Go tell my brothers to leave for Galilee, and they will see me there." Matthew 28:8-10 (NLT)
2. Jesus wants to be my
When they entered the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a white robe sitting on the right side. The women were shocked, but the angel said, "Don't be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He isn't here! He is risen from the dead! Look, this is where they laid his body. Now go and tel his disciples, including Peter, that Jesus is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you before he died." Mark 16:5-7 (NLT)
3. Jesus wants to be my
As they sat down to eat, he took the bread and blessed it. Then he broke it and gave it to them. Suddenly, their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And at that moment he disappeared! They said to each other, "Didn't our hearts burn within us as he talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us: Luke 24:30-32 (NLT)
4. Jesus wants to be my .

That Sunday evening the disciples were meeting behind locked doors because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus was standing there among them! "Peace be with you," he said. As he spoke, he showed them the wounds in his hands and his side. They were filled with joy when they saw the Lord! Again he said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you."

John 20:19-21 (NLT)

GRACE NEWS

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

Join a Small Group. Jesus was in a small group! Grow spiritually while building life-long relationships. There is a list of small groups in the Lobby, various days and times. For more information, call the office, or indicate on your Connect Card.

Youth group – April 4th, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, Come join other middle and high school friends as we have fun learning more about God's love.

Grace on the Bay Kayaking – April 7th at 9:41am – Join us as we enjoy God's creation on Sarasota Bay. Leaving from Vamo Drive Park. Bring your own kayak or call the office and we'll bring one for you. Come and enjoy God's creation.

Men's Step Study Meeting – Are you interested in finding out more about a step study? Join us for an informational meeting on Sunday, April 8th after the service at 11:00 in the conference room. Find healing for your hurts, habits or hang-ups.

Small Group Big Bash April 29th at 6:00 – If you haven't joined a small group yet, or are interested in checking out a different one, join us to find out more! Dinner included!

Shoes of Hope August 11th, Provides a backpack full of school supplies, a Bible and new shoes to children in need. If you would like to volunteer, please indicate on your Connect Card. Please pick up a container in the lobby to fill with change – it takes around \$40.00 per child to start the school year prepared.

SWFL Christian Counseling will have office hours here at the church on Wednesdays from 10 am – 6 pm. Call their office at 239-301-4464 to schedule an appointment or for more information.

LET'S **CONNECT**

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BOXES AS YOU EXIT

Date: /	/	☐ 1st T	ime Visitor	
How did you hear about Grace Church?				
Name:				
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Birthday:	/ /	□Male	□Female	
\Box 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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR:			
☐ Public Prayer List	☐ For Pastor	s Only	
I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:			

SMART GIVING

go to: egracechurch.com/give -OR-

text any amount + "Sarasota" to: 239.205.3123

(like this: 100 Sarasota)

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



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Fishing Club – 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30 – 8:00pm in the Boat House - Learn from a speaker and 'hook-up' with other fellow fisherman. Dinner available for \$5.00.

Step Up – AA meeting Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am in the Gathering Place Meeting room.

Prayer hour – Wednesdays, noon – 1 pm in the Worship Center. Come join us in praying for our church, our neighborhoods, the 941, & the nations. Come if you are in need of prayer.

Praise & Worship practice – Wednesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 – Do you play an instrument or sing? Interested in behind the scene, lighting, sound, graphics? Come find out more about joining the Tech or Praise Team.

Alpha Course – Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Potluck starts at 6:00 followed by teaching and discussion around the Christian faith.

Sprout - 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month - Community breakfast is served at 9am followed by food distribution by All Faiths Food Bank from 10 – 11:30.

Community Clothing Connection - Open during Sprout hours the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 10:00 – 11:30 am.

Faith & Fellowship bible study – 9:00 am, Saturdays At the Potter's Park Pavilion. Coffee and donuts served during a Bible study – Church Can Happen Anywhere! Please join us or let us know if you would like to volunteer.



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