### March 23-24, 2019



Stranger Things | Part 3

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and that by believing you may have life in his name. John 20:30-31 (NLT)

Afterward Jesus returned to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish holy days. Inside the city, near the Sheep Gate, was the pool of Bethesda, with five covered porches. Crowds of sick people—blind, lame, or paralyzed—lay on the porches. One of the men lying there had been sick for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew he had been ill for a long time, he asked him, "Would you like to get well?" "I can't, sir," the sick man said, "for I have no one to put me into the pool when the water bubbles up. Someone else always gets there ahead of me." Jesus told him, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk!" Instantly, the man was healed! He rolled up his sleeping mat and began walking! But this miracle happened on the Sabbath... John 5:1-9 (NLT)

What lies in my life does belief in Jesus overcome?

### 1. My unhealthy religious \_\_\_\_\_

So the Jewish leaders began harassing Jesus for breaking the Sabbath rules. John 5:16 (NLT)

2. My self-limiting life \_\_\_\_

But Jesus replied, "My Father is always working, and so am I." John 5:17 (NLT)

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So the Jewish leaders tried all the harder to find a way to kill him. For he not only broke the Sabbath, he called God his Father, thereby making himself equal with God. John 5:18 (NLT)

## **GRACE NEWS**

**The Gathering Table Café & Consignment** – Stop by and get your morning off to a great start. We have specialty coffee drinks, muffins, and breakfast sandwiches! Calendar of Events located on our Facebook page and at Information Desk in the Lobby.

**Bag Sale** - Saturday, March 30 at The Gathering Table. Bring a reusable shopping bag, fill it with clothing, shoes and/or accessories, pay \$15!

**Charge Conference** – Tuesday, March 26 at 6 PM at the Cape Coral campus in Connections Café, we will hold a brief meeting to address our Fort Myers Trinity campus property.

**Baptism Service on Good Friday evening,** April 19. If you have never been baptized, contact Pastor Arlene at ajackson@egracechurch.com.

**Grief Group** - Come and experience God's healing presence as you share the journey of grief with others Wednesday afternoons from 2:30-4 PM at The Gathering Table. Contact Pastor Cindy at cjones@ egracechurch.com.

**Beyond the Broken Heart,** a six week Bible Study, begins Wednesday, April 3 from 6:30-8 PM at Exceptional Entrepreneurs. Contact Pastor Cindy at cjones@egracechurch.com.

**Grace Filled, an annual spiritual renewal retreat for women,** is Saturday, April 13 - Sunday, April 14 on Fort Myers Beach. Housing and meals included in the \$70 registration fee. Questions, call Diane Cremeans at 248.310.6129 or Cheri Giralico at 502.387.1569, or register at egracechurch.com.

Ladies - Join us, Saturday, May 4 from 9:30 AM-1 PM for the Annual Women's May Luncheon. We'll learn through worship, prayer, inspiring teaching, and time with other women how to let The Storm Stopper, Jesus Christ, calm any storms in your life. Tickets are \$10 and available before/after services in April. Questions, contact Cheryl Acevedo at cacevedo@ comcast.net or call the church office 574.7161.

# LET'S **CONNECT**

### PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

Date: / /		
Service Attended:		
□ 1st time □ 2nd time □ 3rd time		
Regular Attendee Church Member		
Male Female		
How did you hear about Grace Church?		
Name(s):		
□ Single □ 18-23 □ 50's		
□ Married □ 24-29 □ 60+		
□ Divorced □ 30's		
□ Widowed □ 40's		
□ Middle School □ High School □ College		
Address:		
City:		
State: Zip:		
Ph:		
Cell:		
Email:		
Please update my contact information		

### **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 Pastors Only

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

### **SMART GIVING**

go to: egracechurch.com/give -OR-

text any amount to: 239.205.3123

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





Third Grade Families - If you have not received your child's 3rd Grade Bible letter, email sknight@ egracechurch.com or see Miss Stacy today in the Family Center.

**Tween Girls Club** - Meet at The Gathering Table Tuesday, March 26 from 6:45-8 PM. This club is for any tween girl currently in 4th or 5th grade. All are welcome. Join us for conversation and fun as we learn how to be all that God wants us to be.

**Grace Kidz Easter Egg Hunt** is Saturday, April 20 at 10 AM in the Sanctuary. Bring your Easter baskets and invite ALL your family and friends for the fun!

#### We Need Easter Candy for our Easter Egg Hunt.

Drop off any candy donations at the table in the foyer or in the Family Center.



Maundy Thursday Service April 18 @ 6:30pm

**Good Friday Baptism Service** April 19 @ 6:45pm

Grace Kidz Easter Egg Hunt April 20 @ 10am

Easter Saturday Service April 20 @ 5pm (Contemporary)

**Easter Sunrise Service** April 21 @ 6:30am (bring your own chair)

#### **Easter Sunday Services**

April 21 @ 8:30am (Traditional) April 21 @ 10am & 11:30am (Contemporary)

#### More times & locations:

egracechurch.com/easter