

**In January we collected and delivered 112 pounds of food to Greensboro Urban Ministry, THANK YOU!**

**February's** missions food is **CANNED CORN**. Corn is a great addition to a meal - by itself or as an ingredient of your favorite recipe. Pick up a few cans this week and drop them off this Sunday in one of our bins in the Graceful Grounds or Sanctuary entrance. Thanks for helping the hungry in Greensboro!

**Coming Up:**

**March** - Canned Soups

**April** - Canned Mixed Vegetables

**Please remember in your prayers:** Kayla Powell (14 yr. old friend of the Corcoran's just diagnosed with cancer), Habitat/Grace Mission Trip, Audrey Boyd, Jack Dillon, Faith (friend of Nick Andrews and patient at Bell House), Earl Rideout (Sugar Dunlap's brother-in-law), Jill Osborne (Mae Boles' niece), Elaine Kesler, Matthew Greiner, Earl and Edith Colin, US military service men and women and their families, world leaders, Middle East, Haiti

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**FEBRUARY 7, 2010**

**Our Presence**

Worship

9 am - 131, 10:15 am - 71, 11 am 99 Total: 301

Sunday School - 159 Small Groups - 41 Total: 200

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# GRACE CHURCH UNITED METHODIST

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010**

**9:00, 10:15 AND 11:00 A.M.**

**24: *Exploring Jesus' Final Day***  
***Part 1: A Meal That Matters***

Welcome to Grace Church! On this Valentine's Sunday we're beginning a brand new series of messages based on the popular television series, "24", which features the events that occur in a 24-hour period of the life of Jack Bauer, a United States government agent who works for the Counter Terrorist Unit (CTU), and is trying to safeguard our nation from a series of terrorist threats. Instead of featuring Jack Bauer, however, our series will feature the events that occurred in the last 24-hour period of Jesus' life.

Using Adam Hamilton's book *24 Hours That Changed the World* as our guide, we'll spend the next few weeks praying with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, reflecting on the pain Jesus experienced as he was betrayed and denied by friends, standing with Jesus as he is tried by those who do not understand him and glimpsing something of our Lord's suffering and death on the cross. Through this journey we hope to learn why the last 24 hours of Jesus' life is still relevant for how we live ours!

Today, however, we begin with "the last meal" Jesus had with his friends on the night before his death. We know it as "The Last Supper". In our time together, we'll learn some things about the history of this meal, it's relevance to Jesus' life, and the powerful meaning it can have for us today! We're thrilled to see you at Grace!

Blessings,



Pastor Morris

PS Don't forget our Ash Wednesday meal and service this Wednesday. We'll gather in Graceful Grounds at 6:00 p.m. We will move to our beautiful sanctuary for a service of Imposition of Ashes at 7:00 p.m.

## WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

### GATHERING AND PARISH NOTICES

*(You are invited to sign the friendship registers located at the end of each pew.)*

PRELUDE *Tranquility* Martin

*(We center ourselves for worship as the light of Christ is brought into our midst.)*

INTROIT *When Morning Gilds the Sky* arr. Bird

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come let us walk in the light of the Lord.  
**Let us learn to walk in the way of love.**

Let us share a meal of grace and hope.  
**And then go to share grace and hope with the world.**

\*HYMN NO. 103 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ST DENIO

## WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO GOD

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of love, you have given life to us so that we might live according to your holy will revealed in Jesus Christ. We confess, however, that we have often failed to follow your ways. Forgive us, we pray, and by the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to be a faithful people. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*(Let us observe a moment of silence.)*

### \*AFFIRMATION OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Our God is a God of mercy and grace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
**Glory to God!**

\*THE GLORIA PATRI Hymnal, page 71

### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*(You are invited to offer the peace of Christ to those with whom you worship.)*

RESPONSE NO. 603 *Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire* WINCHESTER OLD

**Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire, let us thine influence prove;  
source of the old prophetic fire, fountain of life and love.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Hymnal, page 39

*(At this time, Jason & Frankie Smith present their son, Julian Neil Smith, for the sacrament of baptism.)*

### BAPTISMAL RESPONSE

**Julian, Julian God claims you, God helps you, protects you, and loves you, too.  
We this day do all agree a child of God you'll always be.  
We your family love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow.  
Julian, Julian God claims you, God helps you, protects you and loves you, too.**

OFFERTORY *For Me, to Live is Jesus* Walther

\*DOXOLOGY NO. 94 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS Hymnal, page 38

*(At this time, it is our privilege to welcome Ron and Jennifer Pitts, along with their daughter, Mallory Anne, into the life of Grace Church.)*

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

A TIME WITH CHILDREN Kim Priddy

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 14:12-26

SERMON *24: Exploring Jesus' Final Day*  
Part 1: "A Meal that Matters" Pastor Morris

ANTHEM *All Praise to Thee* Tallis/arr. Pooler

## WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING Hymnal, page 17

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

*(At the direction of the ushers, all are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion. As we receive, let us joyfully sing Hymn Nos. 617, 618, 614.)*

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*(The light of Christ leads us out to share the good news of Jesus Christ with the world.)*

RESPONSE *Amen* Foster

\*POSTLUDE *O Savior Rend the Heavens Wide* Walcha

## WE TAKE GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD.

*\*As you are able, please stand*

**THANKS TO THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS**

**9:00 a.m. - GREETER:** Karen Kernodle & Carolyn McKinney; **9:00 a.m. USHERS:** Oakley family; **9 a.m. POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Evan Williams; **TIME WITH CHILDREN:** Kim Priddy; **9 a.m. JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Broughton & Albright; **9:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Carrie & Mark Sawulski; **HALL HELPER:** Allison Greiner; **10:15 a.m. GREETER:** Mary Nelle Smith & Karen Kernodle; **10:15 a.m. USHERS:** Warfield family; **10:15 POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Stacy Hiers; **11:00 a.m. - GREETERS:** East Entrance: Harrell & Frances Thomas; Narthex: Pat Cross & Joan Szamier; **11:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Carrie & Mark Sawulski; **NICK'S TRANSPORTATION:** Scott Romine; **11 a.m. HEAD USHER:** Mark McKinney; **USHERS:** Lucas Nelson, Tina Nelson, Charles Bray, Diane Bray; **11:00 am JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Melissa Guyer; **11:00 a.m. SOUND SYSTEM:** Sam Lewis; **YOUTH DINNER:** Lyndal Butler **CLOSER:** Joe Matthews

**The flowers in the sanctuary** this Sunday are dedicated to the glory of God and are given by Joe and Rebekah Matthews in honor of the birth of their nephews, Joshua Bruce Kerns and Alex Matthew Kerns.

**A New Grace Church Small Group**...We're excited that we have a new small group **starting this Sunday at 11:00**. This new group will meet on the second floor of the Education Building in Room 206. Jay Braxton is going to lead the group based on a book and DVD series entitled *Beginnings* by Andy Langford and Mark Ralls. If you have questions, please contact Jay at jdbbx2002@yahoo.com.

**The Message at M'Coul's**...The message at M'Coul's will resume on Tuesday, February 23rd at 6pm. Join us for five consecutive Tuesday nights where we'll share in fellowship, enjoy a drink or dinner, and reflect on the prior Sunday's sermon. Sessions will be led by Pastor Morris and Pastor Mike. Childcare will be available at the church on a donation basis. Please join us. For more info, contact Pastor Mike at mmoran@grace-methodist.com.

**Ash Wednesday Dinner and Worship Service**

Please join us in Graceful Grounds for our Ash Wednesday Dinner and Service on February 17. Dinner will begin at 6pm followed by a family friendly and informal Ash Wednesday Service in the sanctuary. As you know, Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the season of Lent which marks the start of 40 days (excluding Sunday's) of repentance and reflection. Our dinner will be a simple meal of salad and a baked potato bar for adults and a less expensive option for children. There will be a charge for the meal of \$6 per adult and \$4 for children with a family max of \$16. Reservations are required. Please use the tear off provided and place in the offering plate. Childcare will be provided for the service.

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**ASH WEDNESDAY DINNER**  
**Wednesday, February 17 @ 6pm**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ # Adult \_\_\_\_\_ # Children \_\_\_\_\_

Cancellations will be charged.



**MOVIE Update!** THANK YOU to everyone who came out last weekend for the movie *To Save a Life*. We had 20 join us for a great afternoon! It was an amazing movie that provided the stage for meaningful discussions on what's really important in life. Remember, "you have to decide between what is EASY and what is RIGHT!" Be RADICAL because you can MAKE A DIFFERENCE in the lives of others!

**Lunch and Bell House 2/13**- All youth are invited to meet at the Friendly Center Chick-fil-a for lunch on Saturday, February 13 at noon. We will then head over to the Bell House to spread the LOVE as we play games, make Valentine's cards and have a snack. Please pick up youth from Grace at 3:00 p.m.

**F.U.E.L. 2/21**- We will meet at our regular times for F.U.E.L. February 21st. Middle School gathers from 4:30-5:30, Dinner from 5:30-6:00 and High School meets from 6:00-7:00. Invite a friend and come get FUELED UP!!!

**Ski Trip Rescheduled**- Due to inclement weather last weekend, the youth ski trip has been rescheduled for February 26-28. If you had a conflict before and would now like to go, please let Christina know asap. THANKS!



**BACKPACK CLUB** - Our mission is to sponsor 8 children at Peeler Open Elementary with food for a weekend. Volunteer to assist with the purchasing, packing, delivering, or retrieval of the backpacks. **We are asking for cereal bars or oatmeal in particular this month.** Pray for the ministry and those children and families that we sponsor. For more information, please contact Kim Priddy at kpriddy@grace-methodist.com or 272-2171 ext. 102.

**Upcoming Events for Children and Families!**

**March 14 - Bowling**

**April 3 - Easter Egg Hunt**

Stay tuned for more information!

