

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 Sunday in one of our bins in the Graceful Grounds or Sanctuary entrance. Thanks for helping the hungry in Greensboro!

Coming Up:

March - Soup (tomato, vegetable, chicken noodle) **April** - Canned Mixed Vegetables

Grace FC, our men's soccer team, will finish it's winter season with a double-header this Sunday, February 21. The first game is at 5pm with the second game at 7pm. Games are at Smith field next to Smith High School. *Fan support would be greatly appreciated!*

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.

Please remember in your prayers: Carolyn Crockett (Joe Matthews' aunt), 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

FEBRUARY 14, 2010

Our Presence

Worship

9 am - 141, 10:15 am - 73, 11 am 130 Total: 344

Sunday School - 159 Small Groups - 174 Total: 333

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GRACE CHURCH

UNITED METHODIST

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2010

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

***24: Exploring Jesus' Final Day
Part 2: How to Pray in a Crisis***

Welcome to Grace Church! This past Wednesday was the first day of the season of the Christian year known as Lent. Lent, which comes from the Latin word for "spring" consists of the 40 days (excluding Sundays) before Easter. In the bible, the number 40 can mean "a long time" or "a time of cleansing and preparation". Some examples include the 40 days when God cleansed the earth with a flood, the 40 days Moses spent on Mt. Sinai before receiving the 10 commandments, the 40 years the Israelites spent in the desert preparing to go into the Promised Land, and the 40 days Jesus spent in the wilderness before beginning his ministry.

In the ancient church the 40-day season of Lent was used as a time to prepare new converts for the sacrament of baptism, and as a time for all Christians to reflect on their lives, repent of their sins and grow closer to God through the intense practice of spiritual disciplines as they prepared for the celebration of Easter! This year we're using the Lenten season to share a new sermon series entitled "24: Exploring Jesus' Final Day". Each week we are using the Gospel of Mark to reflect on events that took place during the last 24 hours of Jesus' life and learn their relevance for ours. Today in a message entitled *How to Pray in a Crisis* we'll learn what Jesus' prayer at Gethsemane has to teach us about praying in the difficult times of our lives. We're thrilled to see you at Grace!

Blessings,



Pastor Morris

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 21, 2010

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

11:00 a.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 *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* Hassler/arr. Innes

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In returning and rest you shall be saved.

In quietness and trust you shall find strength.

*HYMN NO. 110 *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* EIN FESTE BURG

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO GOD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, your promise is always to have mercy, to be gracious to those who have gone astray from your ways. And so, as we confess our failure to follow your path and place our trust in you, we ask that you forgive us. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to amend our ways and live lives that bring glory and honor to you. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Let us observe a moment of silence.)

*AFFIRMATION OF PARDON

Hear the good news! 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. 143 *On Eagle's Wings* ON EAGLE'S WINGS

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY *To Thee, Lord Jesu, Thanks We Give* Bach

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

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

A TIME WITH CHILDREN Christina McCord

*SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 14:26, 32-42

ANTHEM *Come, Ye Sinners* arr. White

SERMON *24: Exploring Jesus' Final Day*
Part 2: "How to Pray in a Crisis" Pastor Morris

*HYMN NO. 269 *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* LAND OF REST

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

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

RESPONSE *Amen* RUTTER

*POSTLUDE *I Cry to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ* Buxtehude

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: Judi Mitchell & Karen Kernodle; **9:00 a.m. USHERS:** Jay Martin & Harry Long; **9 a.m. POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Kelli Staples; **TIME WITH CHILDREN:** Rachel McDowell; **9 a.m. JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Trexler & Stovall; **9:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Meg & Chally Strader; **HALL HELPER:** Lito Lewallen; **10:15 a.m. GREETER:** Judi Mitchell & Karen Kernodle; **10:15 a.m. USHERS:** Howard family; **10:15 POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Melissa Simak; **11:00 a.m. - GREETERS:** East Entrance: Darrell & Marion Allred; Narthex: Charles & Lito Lewallen; **11:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Meg & Chally Strader; **NICK'S TRANSPORTATION:** Bill Stone; **11 a.m. HEAD USHER:** Scott Romine; **USHERS:** Karen Weyler, Brian & Laine Tousey, Darrell Allred; **11:00 am JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Litaker; **11:00 a.m. SOUND SYSTEM:** Bill & Marjorie Stone; **FUEL DINNER:** Jill & Bruce Oakley



The rose on the altar this Sunday is in celebration of the birth of William Whitfield Farris. William was born on February 16 and weighed in at 6lb, 15 oz. and is 20 inches long. The proud parents are Stewart and Abby Farris and Addison is delighted to be a big sister. Congratulations, Farris family!

UPDATE FORM THE FINANCE TEAM

At the last Church Council meeting, the finance team presented, and the Council approved the 2010 Operating Budget. Thanks to the various team leaders for their hard work over the last eight weeks. Their efforts ensured that our Stewardship Campaign and Operating Budget were in synch with each other. Below are the details:

• Family & Adult Ministries	\$ 3,250
• Children & Youth Ministries	17,110
• Outreach	5,000
• Worship	4,450
• Witnessing & Evangelism	1,000
• Administrative	21,500
• Trustees	70,460
• Staff Parish	291,885
• Conference Apportionments	76,858
• District Apportionments	8,490
Total Operation Budget for 2010	\$ 500,003

Our thanks for your continued support of Grace Church and its vision to
Reach, Teach and Unleash people for Christ.



Update of Lunch and Bell House

2/13 - We had 19 youth and adult leaders come out last weekend for lunch and a Bell House service project to spread God's LOVE. We played Bingo, made Valentine's cards and shared a snack with the residents. THANK YOU to everyone who came out!



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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VBS: Vacation Bible School will be August 2nd-6th.



ORDER OF WORSHIP
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

February 21, 2010

First Sunday in Lent

9:00 & 10:15 a.m.

Gathering Music

Welcome and Parish Notices

*Songs of Praise

Heap our Praises (9am only)
Jesus, our Lord Jesus

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Response

I Need You Every Hour

Reception of New Members (10:15 only)

(At this time, we welcome Ruthanne May Matson into the life of Grace Church.)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Giving to God

Sacrament of Baptism (10:15 only)

(At this time, Craig and Heather Kiser present their daughter, Abigail Elizabeth Kiser, for the sacrament of baptism.)

A Time with Children (9am only)

*Scripture Lesson

Mark 14:26, 32-42

Message

24: Exploring Jesus' Final Day
Part 2: "How to Pray in a Crisis" Pastor Morris

*Closing Song

Lord, Listen to Your Children

Blessing and Sending Forth

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN GOD'S WORLD

* As you are able, please stand

GRACE ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, February 21

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship - Graceful Grounds
9:25 a.m. Children's Choir - Choir Room, Sanctuary Building
9:40 a.m. Cherub Choir - 2nd/3rd grade classroom - Ed. Bldg.
10:00 - 10:45 Small Groups for Adults and Children
10:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship "Unplugged"- Graceful Grounds
11:00 a.m. Classic Worship Service - Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. F.U.E.L. Middle Youth Fellowship
5:00 p.m. Grace Men's Soccer - Smith field
5:30 p.m. F.U.E.L. Dinner - Middle & Senior Youth
6:00 p.m. F.U.E.L. High School Youth Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Grace Men's Soccer - Smith field

Monday, February 22

8:30 a.m. District Meeting - Library & Room 101
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Break Room
10:30 a.m. Taiji Class with Susan Johnson Smith
5:30 p.m. Taiji Class with Susan Johnson Smith
6:30 p.m. Qigong with Susan Johnson Smith

Tuesday, February 23

6:00 p.m. Message at M'Coul's
6:30 p.m. NA - Room 101-Education Building
8:00 p.m. AA - Graceful Grounds

Wednesday, February 24

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Graceful Grounds
6:00 p.m. Yoga - Yoga Room, 2nd floor, Education Building
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room, sanctuary building
7:00 p.m. "10:15" Rehearsal, Graceful Grounds
8:00 p.m. Agents of Grace Rehearsal, Graceful Grounds

Thursday, February 25

7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship & Bible Study - Panera Bread, W. Market St.
4:30 p.m. Daisy Troop Meeting
6:00 p.m. Tai Chi - Advanced - Graceful Grounds
7:30 p.m. Tai Chi - Beginner - Graceful Grounds

Friday, February 26

5:30 p.m. F.U.E.L. Youth Ski Trip - Beech Mountain

Saturday, February 27

9:00 a.m. Yoga - Yoga Room, 2nd floor Education Building

FUNDRAISING for YOUTH MISSIONS

Save the Date for...

APRIL 17th @ 5:30 pm in Graceful
Grounds

- Dinner
- Live Auction of Youth Services, Vacation Homes, other items
 - Great Items for Raffle
- Music and Entertainment provided by Tom Carson and Lindsey Porter
 - FREE Childcare provided!

*We have 19 volunteers attending Appalachia Service Project this summer. We also have middle school youth attending a weekend mission trip to help in building at the Winston-Salem Children's Home. **We need to raise \$12,000** so that your youth can serve and be the hands and feet of Christ!

HOW YOU CAN OFFER SUPPORT!

- *Pray for all those serving on mission teams
- *Purchase tickets to attend the dinner and Auction
- *Donate services, vacation homes, and other items for the event
- *Be a SPONSOR of the event by providing a donation

ALL DONATIONS are TAX DEDUCTIBLE!

Contact any youth or Christina McCord for more details!



YOUTH MISSIONS Yard Sale!

Saturday, May 22nd

Grace Parking Lot

Start cleaning out your attics and closets to donate items for this yard sale. **ALL PROCEEDS** will go to support Grace's Youth Ministry and Mission Trips!

We will collect items the week prior to the sale.

Drop-off dates and times
TBA.

More details to come!

