

April's missions food is **CANNED MIXED VEGETABLES**. These can be a side item or used in casseroles. Pick up a few cans and drop them in one of our bins located in the east sanctuary entrance or in Graceful Grounds next Sunday. Thank you for your continued support!

Coming up

May-Canned Fruit

June-Peanut Butter

AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE

Circle 7 is sponsoring a linen drive for Urban Ministries Pathways Homeless Shelter. Pathways is a fairly short term shelter that serves families that have found themselves to be without housing and basic necessities. The families need linens while they are there and also when they leave. Linens needed are full and twin size sheets, towels, wash cloths, and dish towels. They will gladly accept gently used items as well as new items. Now is the prime time to clean out those closets and donate the linens you no longer use! You may give your items to any member of Circle 7 or you may drop them off in the hallway outside the church office. We will continue this opportunity to give for about the next three weeks. Thank you in advance for your donations and your generosity.

APRIL 18, 2010

Our Presence

Our Generosity

9am - 169, 10:15am - 67, 11 am - 107	Needed weekly toward budget	10,041
Worship Total: 343	Received last week toward budget	5,582
	Needed YTD	173,358
Sunday School - 157 Small Groups - 120	Received YTD	163,301
Total: 277	Shortfall YTD	[10,057]

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GRACE CHURCH

UNITED METHODIST

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2010

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

Simple Truths for...The Game of Life

Part 3: Six Words We Can't Live Without

Welcome to Grace Church! This morning we continue our sermon series, *Simple Truths for the Game of Life*. In this series we're learning some simple biblical principles that won't make our lives perfect, but will make our lives more healthy and whole.

The title of today's message is "Six Words We Can't Live Without". In our time together, we're going to explore six words that our faith says are essential for us to use from time to time if our lives and relationships are going to be all that God created them to be.

We're thrilled that you've decided to begin your week with worship at Grace. We hope that your experience today will help you experience God's grace in your life, connect with new friends and get ready to serve Christ wherever life may take you this week!

Blessings,



Pastor Morris

PS **FUEL**, our **Grace Church Youth Group** would like to thank everyone who so generously contributed to the Youth Mission Auction last Saturday night. They have now raised over \$17,000 which will be used to send 30 youth on two mission trips this summer where they will be the hands and feet of Christ to others.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 25, 2010

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 *All Things Bright and Beautiful* arr. Barrie Cabena

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

*GREETING

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**As we worship may we experience God's mercy,
and learn to offer mercy and grace to others.**

*HYMN NO. 88 *Maker, in Whom We Live* DIADEMATA

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO GOD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all mercy, we confess that in our weakness we have often failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope in the world. Forgive us, we pray. By the power of your Holy Spirit, renew us that we might live lives that reflect your love, grace and joy to all. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE 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. 280 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* ST. THEODULPH

All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Hymnal, page 38

(At this time, we welcome Bob and Cindy Dunning, into the life of Grace Church. Please be sure to introduce yourself to Bob and Cindy following the service.)

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 *Ye Servants of God* arr. Craig Courtney

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

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

A TIME WITH CHILDREN Kim Priddy

(A children's offering will be taken at this time. Nursery and Jr. Church are available for infants to first graders in rooms 200 and 201.)

*SCRIPTURE LESSONS Matthew 5:23-24; Colossians 3:13

ANTHEM *The Prayer of Saint Francis* Clausen

SERMON *Simple Truths for...The Game of Life*
Part 3: "Six Words We Can't Live Without" Pastor Morris

*HYMN NO. 181 *Ye Servants of God* HANOVER

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

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

*RESPONSE *Depart in Peace* arr. Ford

*POSTLUDE *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation* arr. David Johnson

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: Carolyn McKinney; **9:00 a.m. USHER:** Jay Martin & Harry Long;
9 a.m. POWER POINT OPERATOR: Stacy Hiers; **TIME WITH CHILDREN:** Kim Priddy;
9 a.m. JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT: McCord & Corcoran; **9:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Lori & Kevin Redding; **HALL HELPER:** Help needed; **10:15 a.m. GREETER:** Rob & Kelly Warfield; **10:15 a.m. USHERS:** The Howard family; **10:15 POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Melissa Simak; **11:00 a.m. - GREETERS:** East Entrance: Darrell & Marion Allred; Narthex: Kasey Stamey; **ACOLYTE:** Caroline Stone; **11:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Lori & Kevin Redding; **NICK'S TRANSPORTATION:** Ben Dunlap; **11 a.m. HEAD USHER:** Logan Hiers; **USHERS:** Trey Hiers, Caleb Rio-Anderson, Brad Priddy & Ryan Priddy; **11:00 am JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Williams; **11:00 a.m. SOUND SYSTEM:** Logan Hiers; **LAWN CARE TEAM:** Tom Sibley, Jay Braxton, Chris Gregory

The flowers in the sanctuary today are dedicated to the glory of God and are given by Charlene Johnston in memory of Robert Johnston and by Sugar, Ben, Lance & Carolena Dunlap in memory of "mama Lib".

A note regarding Pastor Mike...In order to allow Pastor Mike to take all of his accrued vacation and to allow him time to take a break and adequately prepare for his future endeavors, the Church Council has granted Pastor Mike a leave of absence through the end of this conference year. We want to thank Pastor Mike for his many years of dedicated service. We wish Pastor Mike and Susan all the best in the future! If you would like to send Pastor Mike and Susan a note or a love offering, their address is 4104 Waldenbrook Drive, Greensboro NC 27407.

Parking for a Purpose - We need volunteers to help park cars during the Greensboro Grasshopper's home baseball games throughout the summer. All the money raised goes to local charities like Urban Ministries and Mary's House. If you are willing to help, contact Mike Stainback mstainback@stainbackandassociates.com, Billy Smith wsmith6994@triad.rr.com or Vic Nussbaum vic.nussbaum@yahoo.com.

Please remember in your prayers: Alfred Ligon (Cindy McKinney's Dad), Glenn Payne, Midge Hudson, Debbie Frye (cancer), Kayla Powell (14 yr. old friend of the Corcoran's who has cancer), 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



High School Small Group - We will be meeting at 7 pm at the Kopp's home on Thursday night, April 22. Contact Christina McCord with questions and directions at 312-4685 or christina.mccord3@gmail.com.

FUEL IN April - We will meet at our regular times on April 25th and May 2nd. These are very important times to be here as we'll be planning/assigning responsibilities for YOUTH SUNDAY and writing thank you notes to everyone who donated to the auction. Invite a friend and GET FUELED UP!!

YOUTH Sunday, May 16 - ALL YOUTH mark your calendars for Youth Sunday on May 16th. We will be responsible for all 3 services. This is always a special day where we highlight the wonderful youth of Grace so make plans to be there!

YOUTH MISSIONS SUCCESS!!! - A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who came out to support youth missions last Saturday at our Dinner and Auction. Thank you to all the youth, parents, youth leaders, and everyone else who made this possible! As soon as all monies are collected in connection with the auction, we will report a final total. We appreciate your support in helping our youth be the hands and feet of Christ!



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 breakfast items 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.

GRACE ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, April 25

- 9:00 a.m.** Contemporary Worship - Graceful Grounds, Electric Music
- 9:25 a.m.** Children's Choir
- 9:40 a.m.** Cherub Choir
- 10:00 a.m.** Small Groups for Adults and Children
- 10:15 a.m.** Contemporary Worship - Graceful Grounds, Acoustic Music
- 11:00 a.m.** Classic Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 4:30 p.m.** FUEL Youth Group - Middle School
- 5:30 p.m.** FUEL Youth Dinner - Middle & Seniors
- 6:00 p.m.** FUEL Youth Group - Senior High

Monday, April 26

- 8:00 a.m.** District Board of Ordained Ministry - Library & Room 101
- 10:00 a.m.** Staff Meeting - Break Room
- 10:30 a.m.** Taiji Class with Susan Johnson Smith
- 6:30 p.m.** Qigong with Susan Johnson Smith
- 7:30 p.m.** Tai Chi with Patrick Fannes - Beginner Class

Tuesday, April 27

- 6:30 p.m.** NA - Room 101-Education Building
- 8:00 p.m.** AA - Graceful Grounds

Wednesday, April 28

- 9:30 a.m.** Women's Bible Study - Graceful Grounds
- 1:00 p.m.** Senior Bible Study - Friends Home Guilford
- 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.** "Ten-Fifteen" Rehearsal, Graceful Grounds
- 8:00 p.m.** Agents of Grace Rehearsal, Graceful Grounds

Thursday, April 29

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

Saturday, April 31

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



YOUTH 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!

We will collect items the week prior to the sale.

Drop-off dates and times TBA.

More details to come!

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April 25, 2010

Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00 & 10:15 a.m.

Gathering Music

Welcome and Parish Notices

*Songs of Praise

Thy Word is a Lamp
Ancient Words (9am only)

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Response

Hallelujah

Prayers of the People

Giving to God

A Time with Children (9am only)

Kim Priddy

(A children's offering will be taken at this time. Nursery and Jr. Church are available for infants to first graders in rooms 200 and 201. Choir for 2nd to 5th graders will meet in the choir room.)

*Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5:23-24, Colossians 3:13

Message

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*Closing Song

Seek Ye First

Blessing and Sending Forth

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN GOD'S WORLD

* *As you are able, please stand*