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GRACE CHURCH

UNITED METHODIST

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2009

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

Keeping It at Grace

Welcome to Grace! This week Lynne Lewallen, Wendy Sibley, Pastor Mike and I have been representing Grace Church at *Western North Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church*. Under the leadership of our new bishop, Bishop Larry Goodpaster, we've been conducting business, hearing reports and celebrating all the wonderful ways God is using The United Methodist Church to bless God's world. In addition, we've had the privilege of telling others about some of the exciting things God continues to do through Grace Church!

In our absence today, we are pleased to welcome one of our own, Sam Lewis, to the Grace Church pulpit. Sam, who grew up at Grace Church and has worked for many years in the landscape business, is in the early stages of becoming a "second career pastor". He is currently pursuing a business degree at High Point University in Non-Profit Management. Upon completion of that degree, Sam plans to attend Shaw Divinity School in Salisbury, NC and become an elder in The United Methodist Church.

The title of Sam's message today is "Keeping *It* at Grace". In our time together he will be sharing some important thoughts about what "it" is that churches must have to remain healthy and vibrant! I hope you will be in prayer for Sam as he shares this important message with us. We're thrilled you chose to worship at Grace today, and I'll look forward to seeing you next Sunday for "Father's Day"!

Blessings,



Pastor Morris

ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 14, 2009

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

Be Thou My Vision

Arr. Rawsthorne

(The light of Christ is brought into our midst.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the Lord, for the Lord alone does wondrous things!

May God's glory fill this place as we praise God's holy name!

*HYMN NO. 158

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

SPANISH HYMN

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO GOD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful God, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Forgive us, we pray. And according to Your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord, help us live lives that bring glory to Your name. Amen.

(Let us observe a moment of silence for personal confession.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

*THE GLORIA PATRI

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*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

RESPONSE NO. 561

Jesus, United by Thy Grace

ST. AGNES

**Jesus, united by thy grace and each to each endeared,
with confidence we seek thy face and know our prayer is heard.**

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

Elevation

Benoit

*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

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

ANTHEM

Climbin' Up the Mountain

Spiritual/arr. Smith

SERMON

Keeping "It" At Grace

Sam Lewis

*HYMN NO. 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

*POSTLUDE

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

arr. Walther

WE TAKE GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

**As you are able, please stand*

THANKS TO THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS

9:00 a.m. - GREETERS: Rob & Kelly Warfield; **9 a.m. POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Lynne Lewallen; **TIME WITH CHILDREN:** Kim Priddy; **9 a.m. JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Janet Souhan; **9:00 a.m. HALL HELPER:** Sue & Emily Hudson; **NURSERY:** Jay & Erin Thompson; **10:15 a.m. GREETER:** Rob & Kelly Warfield; **10:15 POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Luke VanHine; **11:00 a.m. - GREETERS:** East Entrance: Jason Smith; Narthex: Charles & Diane Bray; **ACOLYTE:** Cary Corcoran; **JR. CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Kim Newman; **11:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Jay & Erin Thompson; **NICK'S TRANSPORTATION:** Bill Stone; **11 a.m. HEAD USHER:** Scott Romine; **USHERS:** Jim & Brook Price, Brian & Laine Tousey; **TAPING:** Bill Stone; **CLOSER:** Hallie Zook and Austin Ribelin; **LAWN SERVICE:** Ben Dunlap, Eric Howard, Susan Howard

The flowers in the sanctuary today are dedicated to the glory of God and are given in memory of Winston J. Martin by Jay Martin.

Summer choir for 11 am. The choir will be performing men's choir selections during the month of June. Any men interested are welcome to come sing with the choir! We will rehearse each Sunday morning at 10:30 before the 11 am service.

The choir will be performing women's choir selections during July. Any interested women are invited to come sing with the choir! We will rehearse on Wednesday, July 1st, at 7 pm in the choir room located on the second floor of the sanctuary building. We will also rehearse each Sunday morning at 10:30 each Sunday in July before the 11 am service.

OUR SYMPATHY

Let us express our sympathy to the family of Tom Boone. Tom died on Wednesday, June 3, at Friends Home West. A memorial service was held at Friends Home West on Saturday, June 6.

Please remember in your prayers: Pastor Morris & Mike, Lynne Lewallen and Wendy Sibley as they attend annual conference, Chris Overfelt (Joel Darden's uncle), Maria Collen, Kathy Gresham (Buck and Betsy Gresham's daughter-in-law), Mike Manchoff (Marla Darden's father), Elaine Kesler, David, Karen & Cameron Pruitt (David is in Afghanistan), Debbie Frye, Matthew Greiner, Earl and Edith Colin, Virgil Cranford (Treb Cranford's brother), Jim Waugh, US military service men and women and their families, world leaders, Middle East

WHAT'S GOING ON AT GRACE?

- **ICE CREAM SOCIAL June 28 @ 3:30 pm** Make plans now to attend our annual *Church-Wide Ice Cream Social* on June 28 at 3:30 pm in Graceful Grounds. This is a sure fire way to beat the heat, catch up with Grace friends from all three services, and meet our newest members! Let's continue to stay in touch as we get into the summer months of vacation. Bring a friend and join us as we celebrate our continued growth together as one big church family. *Air conditioning and Ice Cream will be free.* This is sure to be one "cool" event!!
- **June's food is PEANUT BUTTER** Remember to pick up a few cans and drop them in one of our bins this Sunday. Bins are located in the east entrance of the sanctuary building and in the Graceful Grounds worship center. *In May we collected 60 pounds of canned fruit..* It has been delivered to Greensboro Urban Ministry. Thanks for helping GRACE Church feed the hungry in Greensboro.
- **SOLDIER CARE PACKAGES** Through the month of June, we will once again prepare boxes of goodies for our soldiers overseas. Boxes are located in the Graceful Grounds and sanctuary entrances. Details are inside the empty boxes about items that can be sent.. A check to cover shipping for \$10.35 made payable to GUMC is requested. Return your filled box to the area that you picked it up. If you have any questions, please email Emily or Sue Hudson at emily199097@msn.com. Thanks for remembering our soldiers as they serve our country.
- **3rd Annual Summer Day Camp! The Great Escape: Noah's Ark July 13-17.** Have you heard the news? All of the animals have escaped from the Ark and we need YOUR help to find them all! You will practice hands-on learning as you become expert detectives. Once you receive your detective badge, you will track the animals to their individual habitats through music, movement, crafts and games and return them safely back to the Ark. Camp will start at 9 am and end at noon. We will also have "Lunch Bunch" from noon—1:00 pm. You can have your child stay and have lunch for \$5 extra per day. Please pack your child's lunch on the days they will be staying and we will provide the extra activities! We will offer a nursery for children ages newborn-2 years for an additional cost. Cost: \$75 per child. If you register by June 15th, pay only \$65. You may register or get additional information at info@preferredchildcare.com.
- **CHURCH CLOSERS NEEDED** Looking for an important way to serve Grace? We need your help! We rely on volunteers to secure the church buildings at the end of the services each Sunday. We are looking for volunteers for July through December. If you would be willing to close one Sunday, please contact Debra Bingham (292-4454 or debbatt@aol.com) for information. The process involves a small time commitment but is of great importance for the church!

GRACE ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, June 14

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship - Graceful Grounds - Education building
9:30 a.m. Faith Fellowship Class - Chapel
10:00 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:00 a.m. Sunday School Assembly (all children), Jr. Church classroom
10:15 a.m. Worship - Graceful Grounds "Unplugged" - Education building
10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal for Grace Men
11:00 a.m. Classic Worship - Sanctuary
1:00 p.m. Montagnard Worship - Sanctuary

Monday, June 15

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Break Room
7:00 p.m. Church Council - Graceful Grounds

Tuesday, June 16

8:00 p.m. AA - Graceful Grounds

Wednesday, June 17

6:00 p.m. Yoga - Yoga Room - Ed. Bldg.

Thursday, June 18

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Panera Bread, W. Market Street
6:30 p.m. Tai Chi - Graceful Grounds

Friday, June 19

11:00 a.m. Family Therapists - Library

Saturday, June 20

9:00 a.m. Yoga - Yoga Room - 2nd floor of Ed. Bldg.

Our Presence			Our Generosity	
6/7/2009				
Worship	9:00 am	155	Needed Weekly to meet Budget	\$ 8,060
	10:15 am	59	6/7/09 Contributions to Budget	\$8,423
	11:00 am	143	Contributions Needed YTD	\$ 243,572
Total:		357	Contributions Received YTD	\$ 254,415
Sunday School		107	Difference	\$ 10,843
Small Groups		84		
Total:		191		