

2009 Crop Walk-Help Fight World Hunger- Join other walkers from Grace in this years CROP Walk, as together we fight world hunger. The walk this year is this Sunday, October 18th at 2:30 PM with registration immediately prior to the event. The walk is an easy 5K walk which is about 3 miles. All you need to do to participate is sign up, get a participants packet, and purchase a t-shirt for \$3. We will have a sign up table at the East entrance under the breezeway this Sunday following our combined worship service.

OUR OCTOBER MISSIONS FOOD IS DRIED BEANS. Navy, pinto and northern are just a few choices. Beans are a great source of protein and a good meal on cool, crisp days. Pick up a few packs and drop them in one of our bins located in the East entrance of the sanctuary building and in the Graceful Grounds worship center. Thanks for helping the hungry in Greensboro.

Coming up: **November - Canned Greens**

December - Oatmeal

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GRACE CHURCH UNITED METHODIST

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2009

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

Let's Get Radical

Part 1: "Radical Hospitality"

What if Grace Church was different? What if Grace Church was a church that took our faith to the next level? What if Grace Church was a community of faith that practiced radical Christianity? What would happen? Well, today we begin a brand new sermon series designed to help us discover the possibilities. The title of our series is "Let's Get Radical". And over the next five weeks we're going to explore what might happen if Grace Church practiced – radical hospitality, radical worship, radical learning, radical mission, radical generosity and radical thanksgiving.

Today we begin with a message called "Radical Hospitality". Webster's Dictionary defines "hospitality" as "the friendly reception and treatment of guests or strangers; the practice of receiving and treating guests and strangers in a warm, friendly, generous way". In our time together we're going to learn what might happen if Grace Church took this definition to the extreme. By looking at the life of Jesus, the most radically hospitable person who ever lived, we're going to learn what it takes to be a community of faith that opens it's doors wide to all God's children and does everything it can to help them feel welcome! Welcome to Grace! We're thrilled you're here!

Blessings,



Pastor Morris

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 18, 2009

TWENTIETH 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

Vater Unser Im Himmelreich
(Our Father in the Heaven Who Art)

Bach

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,
so God seeks and saves the lost.

Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,
so God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness.

As a father receives a returning wayward son,

so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

*HYMN NO. 89

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO GOD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we seek you because you have first sought us, we love you because you have first loved us with your unconditional love. We know that as you have welcomed us, you call us to welcome others in your name. We confess, however, that we have not always done that. We have often been unwelcoming, exclusive and cold to those who most need your love. Forgive us, we pray. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us be a people who practice the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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. 408

The Gift of Love

GIFT OF LOVE

**Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(At this time, Aaron and Cameron Messick present their son, James Fearrington Messick, for the sacrament of baptism. Let us be in prayer for the family.)

BAPTISMAL RESPONSE

**James, James, 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.
James, James, God claims you, God helps you, protects you, and loves you, too.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Aria

Rawsthorne

*DOXOLOGY NO. 95 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD 100TH

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kim Priddy

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 15:1-2, Romans 15:7

ANTHEM

Many Gifts, One Spirit

Pote

SERMON

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*HYMN NO. 549

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ST. PETER

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE NO. 664

Sent Forth by God's Blessing
Congregation, please join the choir in singing

THE ASH GROVE

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from this dwelling take leave. The service is ended, O now be extended the fruits of our worship in all who believe. The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us to work for God's kingdom and answer the call.

*POSTLUDE

Fanfare on *Austrian Hymn*

Young

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: Rob & Kelly Warfield; **9 a.m. POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Lynne Lewallen; **TIME WITH CHILDREN:** Kim Priddy; **9 a.m. JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Mike Albright; **9:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Kevin & Lori Redding; **HALL HELPER:** Lito Lewallen; **10:15 a.m. GREETER:** Audrey Boyd; **10:15 POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Luke Van Hine; **11:00 a.m. - GREETERS:** East Entrance: Mary Van Dyke & Mary Jenkins; Narthex: Evelyn Hutton & Audrey Boyd; **ACOLYTE:** Spencer Smith; **JR. CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Melissa Guyer; **11:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Kevin & Lori Redding; **NICK'S TRANSPORTATION:** Jim Price; **11 a.m. HEAD USHER:** Scott Romine; **USHERS:** Jim & Brook Price, Brian & Laine Tousey; **11:00 a.m. SOUND SYSTEM:** Bill & Marjorie Stone; **CLOSER:** Mark McKinney; **LAWN SERVICE:** Stu Gauffreau, Jeremy McKinney, Jeff Kerrigan, Robin Britt

The flowers in the sanctuary today are dedicated to the glory of God and are given by Lindsey, William and Charlie Porter in honor of Ashley for his birthday.

Please remember in your prayers: Jim Nussbaum (Vic Nussbaum's brother), Earl Rideout (Sugar Dunlap's brother-in-law), Jill Osborne (Mae Boles' niece), Tom Riffe (Melissa Guyer's dad), Maria Collen, Kathy Gresham (Buck and Betsy Gresham's daughter-in-law), Elaine Kesler, David, Karen & Cameron Pruitt (David is in Afghanistan), Debbie Frye, Matthew Greiner, Earl and Edith Colin, Jim Waugh, US military service men and women and their families, world leaders, Middle East

Our Presence		Our Generosity	
10/11/2009			
Worship 9:00 am	121	Needed Weekly to meet Budget	\$ 9,321
10:15 am	39		
11:00 am	115	10/11/09 Contributions to Budget	\$ 8,115
Total:	275	Contributions Needed YTD	\$ 397,280
		Contributions Received YTD	\$ 387,258
Small Groups	119	Difference	Short [\$ 10,022]
Sunday School	121		
Total:	240		

Grace's Annual FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 25th

4:00-7:00 pm



Free Hot Dog Dinner- Hot dogs, chips, cookies, and drinks will be provided at no cost.

Chili Cook-Off- If you'd like to enter the Chili Cook-Off, please contact Kasey Stamey at kasey.stamey@clerestorydesign.com to sign up and get more details. All types of chili are welcomed! A sample of chili is \$.25 and you can pay more if you REALLY like it! 😊



"Trunk"-or-Treat- Instead of going house to house for candy, we will be going from car to car! All you need to do is:

- ☺ Bring a bag of candy to pass out to the children.
- ☺ Park your car in the church parking lot. You can even decorate your trunk to be more festive!
- ☺ When it's time to begin, open your trunk and have your candy ready.
- ☺ You may want to bring a chair.

Kids, make sure to bring a bag to collect all of your candy.

Costumes- EVERYONE is encouraged to wear a costume.....yes, that includes adults, too.

Jump n' Fun- There will be a bouncy Jump n' Fun for the kids to play in.

WINDFALL Band- This awesome band has entertained us the past 2 years with their easy-going, delightful music. It's truly a treat!

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME! This fun event is for everyone so make plans to attend! Invite a friend and join for this wonderful event!!!

**Donations will be collected to help fund the children's playground renovations.*

GRACE ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES



Sunday, October 18

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 - 3rd/4th grade classroom - Ed. Bldg.
10:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship - Graceful Grounds
11:00 a.m. Classic Worship Service - Sanctuary
2:30 p.m. CROP Hunger Walk

Monday, October 19

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Break Room
10:30 a.m. Taiji Class - Graceful Grounds
5:30 p.m. Taiji Class - Graceful Grounds
6:30 p.m. Qigong - Graceful Grounds

Tuesday, October 20

8:00 p.m. AA - Graceful Grounds

Wednesday, October 21

1:00 p.m. Senior Adult Bible Study, Friends Home, Guilford
6:00 p.m. Yoga - Yoga Room, 2nd floor, Education Building
6:00 p.m. Message at M'Couls, 110 W. McGee Street
6:15 p.m. Grace Gangs (Children all ages through 5th grade)- Ed. Bldg.
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
8:00 p.m. Chamber Ensemble Rehearsal - Choir Room, sanctuary building

Thursday, October 22

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study & Fellowship - Panera Bread on W. Market St.
6:30 p.m. Tai Chi for Advanced Students - Graceful Grounds
7:30 p.m. Tai Chi for Beginners - Graceful Grounds

Saturday, October 24

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

- **CROP WALK**— All youth are encouraged to help fight local and world HUNGER by walking in the CROP Hunger Walk on October 18th @ 2:30! BRING \$3 FOR A T-SHIRT AND pick up your packets/sponsor sheets at FUEL this Sunday.
- **Fall Festival**- All youth are encouraged to come out on Sunday, October 25th to help with the Fall Festival!



All Saints Day will be Sunday, November 1. This is the time we give thanks for all the babies that have been born since last All Saints Sunday (November 2, 2008). During the service, we will read your child's name and light a candle in his/her honor and show their picture. We also invite any family and friends to stand at that time. **We need the date of your child's birth and a digital photograph by October 23.** Please email the picture and information to kpriddy@grac-methodist.com.

Greetings from the Finance Team

Stewardship season is upon us and we are getting ready to put together the finishing touches on the game plan for 2010. This year, throughout the Stewardship campaign, you'll hear from the Team Leaders as they highlight what was accomplished in 2009 as well as their plans for 2010. It will give you great insight into what the church does with the funds you donate.

On November 22nd (the Sunday before Thanksgiving), we will have the opportunity to bring the pledge cards to the altar so that we can finalize our budget for 2010. Of course, you can turn in pledge cards as soon as you are ready during Stewardship season. Pledge cards help us make the best decisions so please plan on turning one in this year.

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Hallelujah

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

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