

Our February food collection totaled 172 lbs. and was delivered the first week in March. Thank you for your generosity!

It's March and time for a new food for Greensboro Urban Ministry. March's food is **CANNED SOUP**. The preferred choices are Tomato, Chicken Noodle, and Vegetable. Warm up someone's meal table with one or all of these choices. Bring your soup this Sunday and place it in one of our bins located in the Graceful Grounds or Sanctuary entrances. Thanks for sharing and feeding the hungry in Greensboro!

Coming Up:

April - Canned Mixed Vegetables May - Canned Fruit

WANTED: A GOOD USED PIANO to be donated to a local nursing home. Please call Jane Long at 851-9301.

MARCH 7, 2010			
Our Presence		Our Generosity	
9 am - 162, 10:15 am - 56, 11 am - 114	Worship Total: 332	Needed weekly toward budget	10,040
Sunday School - 162	Small Groups - 131	Received last week toward budget	11,153
Sunday School & Small Group Total: 293		Needed YTD	113,113
		Received YTD	97,042
		Shortfall YTD	[16,071]

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GRACE CHURCH UNITED METHODIST

SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2010

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

**24: Exploring Jesus' Final Day
Part 5: Struggles of a "People Pleaser"**

Welcome to Grace Church! If you constantly focus on the needs of others while neglecting your own needs...you might be a people pleaser! If you take every criticism as a fact and allow it to deflate your self-worth...you might be a people pleaser! If you disagree with someone, but are afraid to tell them because they might reject you...you might be a people pleaser! If you sometimes do things you know you shouldn't do, just so you can be accepted by the crowd...you might be a people pleaser!

Today as we continue our Lenten sermon series *24: Exploring Jesus' Final Day*, we come to a message entitled "Struggles of a People Pleaser". In our time together we're going to explore the role Pontius Pilate's desire to "satisfy the crowd" played in the crucifixion of Jesus. From Pilate's story we'll learn why the temptation to be a "people pleaser" can have negative effects on our lives and the lives of others. We're thrilled you're at Grace and hope our time of worship gets your week off to a great start!

Blessings,



Pastor Morris

PS Don't forget to "Spring Forward" and set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday when you go to bed so that you don't miss your favorite service!



ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 14, 2010

FOURTH 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

Ah, Holy Jesus

Crüger

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Your steadfast love, O Lord, is better than life.

Therefore our lips will praise you.

We will bless you as long as we live.

We will lift up our hands and call on your name.

*HYMN NO. 545

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO GOD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All merciful and compassionate God, we thank you that in love you sent Jesus into the world not to condemn us, but to show us the path to life. We confess, however, that we have often failed to follow in his way because we don't want to be rejected by the crowd. Forgive us, we pray, and by the power of your Holy Spirit grant us the confidence and courage we need to choose the way of Jesus each day this week. Amen.

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

*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

Here, O My Lord

Martin

*DOXOLOGY NO. 95

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100th

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kim Priddy

(A children's offering will be taken at this time.)

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 15:1-15

ANTHEM

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

Courtney

SERMON

24: Exploring Jesus' Final Day
Part 5: "Struggles of a People Pleaser"

Pastor Morris

HYMN NO. 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

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

RESPONSE

Amen

Foster

*POSTLUDE

Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

Pachelbel

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:** Lynne Lewallen; **9 a.m. POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Kelli Staples; **TIME WITH CHILDREN:** Kim Priddy; **9 a.m. JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Sawulski & Redding; **9:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Ashley & Lindsey Porter; **HALL HELPER:** Allison Greiner; **10:15 a.m. GREETER:** Pat Cross & Sandy Crossley; **10:15 a.m. USHERS:** The Warfield family; **10:15 POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Kelli Staples; **11:00 a.m. - GREETERS:** East Entrance: Gen Fleischman & Betty Moore; Narthex: Gerry McCall & Nancy Purcell; **ACOLYTE:** Olivia Romine-Weyler; **11:00 a.m. NURSERY:** Ashley & Lindsey Porter; **NICK'S TRANSPORTATION:** Jim Price; **11 a.m. HEAD USHER:** Logan Hiers; **USHERS:** Trey Hiers, Caleb Rio-Anderson, Brad Priddy, Ryan Priddy **11:00 am JUNIOR CHURCH ASSISTANT:** Newman; **11:00 a.m. SOUND SYSTEM:** Sam Lewis; **11:00 FUEL YOUTH MEAL:** Steve & Jen Brock

OUR SYMPATHY

Let us express our sympathy to Stephen Cox and family. Stephen's father, Gary Lee "Poochie" Cox, died on Wednesday, March 3. A funeral service was held at Oakhurst Baptist Church on Sunday, March 7, and followed by a Celebration of Life gathering at Cox's Harley Davidson. Let's keep Stephen, Kara and the family in our prayers.

Dear Grace friends,

Thank you so much for all the prayers, visits, cards and calls when I had my accident. You lifted my spirits as always! *-Audrey Boyd*

The Message at M'Coul's...Join us as we share in fellowship, have dinner if you'd like, and reflect on the prior Sunday's sermon. Sessions will be led by Pastor Morris and are always full of lively discussion. Childcare will be available at the church from 5:45 - 7:15 pm on a donation basis. M'Coul's is located at 110 W. McGee Street in downtown Greensboro. Please invite a friend and join us!

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Midge Hudson	Glenn Payne
Camden Place	Brighton Gardens, Room 325
1 Marithe Court, Room 601	1208 New Garden Road
Greensboro, NC 27407	Greensboro NC 27410

IN THE HOSPITAL

Gloria Smith
Room 6713

Please remember in your prayers: Gloria Smith, Glenn Payne, Mary Jenkins, 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



FUEL in March - We will be meeting March 14th and 21st at our regular times. Due to Spring Break, we will take off March 28th and April 4th. Please bring your fundraiser folders and donation updates to FUEL on March 7th. Invite a friend and GET FUELED UP!!!!

NEW High School Small Group - We have a new High School Small Group meeting at Bill and Mary Ann Kopp's home on Thursday evenings at 7pm. Invite a friend and make plans to attend. Contact Christina McCord with questions and directions at 312-4685 or christina.mccord3@gmail.com.

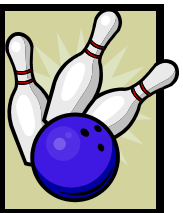


BACKPACK CLUB - Our mission is to sponsor 8 children at Peeler Open Elementary with food for a weekend. Volunteer to assist with the purchasing, packing, delivering, or retrieval of the backpacks. **We are asking for canned vegetables in particular this month.** Pray for the ministry and those children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

Nursery Needs: The Nursery is in need of some items being donated. We need small paper cups, regular sized apple juice and club crackers. We are also in need of CD players. Please drop donations off at the Nursery. Thank you for helping us have a wonderful room for the smallest of the church!

We need candy for Easter Eggs! Please consider donating a bag of candy to be used for our Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt. A box will be left in Graceful Grounds and the entrance to the sanctuary.

Family Event: Let's go bowling! Sunday, March 14th at 1:30pm. We will meet at Triad Lanes off of Wendover Ave on Oak Branch. \$6 per bowler includes 2 hours of bowling and shoes. Reservations required by contacting Kim Priddy at kpriddy@grace-methodist.com.





YOUTH MISSIONS Fundraiser



PURCHASE TICKETS \$15

Dinner and Auction

APRIL 17th @ 5:30 pm

Graceful Grounds

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

*19 volunteers attending Appalachia Service Project this summer (\$500/per person)

*10 middle school youth attending a weekend mission trip (\$90 per person)

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, sporting tickets, 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 at 282-0380 or Christina.mccord3@triad.rr.com 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!





GRACE KIDS

I am trying to see the interest for summer plans here at Grace. Please put a check next to what you are interested in signing up for or just would like more information about:

- **Partnering with Children**

- Help during the summer teaching/assisting Sunday school class
- Hall Helper
- Jr. Church

- **Camp Guilrock**

- Rising 1st – 3rd graders
- July 12-15 Day Camp

- **Passport Kids Camp**

- Current 3rd - 5th graders
- June 19 - 22 at Eagle Eyrie, VA

- **VBS**

- Aug 2-6
- Interested in volunteering

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Join us for Holy Week at Grace

Palm/Passion Sunday, Sunday, March 28 @ 10:00 A.M. On this Sunday we will join together in our beautiful sanctuary for **ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 A.M.** Our service will begin with a joyful "Procession of Palms" as our children enter the sanctuary waving palm branches to remind us of Jesus' triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem. Our service will then turn darker as we remember the crucifixion of Jesus.

Maundy Thursday, Thursday, April 1 @ 7:00 P.M. On Thursday evening we will gather in our sanctuary for a service of darkness called "Tenebrae". In this service of worship we'll join Jesus and his disciples for their final meal and then through a series of scripture readings and beautiful anthems by our chancel choir we'll journey with Jesus into the darkness of his death on the cross. This is a service you won't want to miss.

Easter Sunday, Sunday, April 4 @ 9:00, 10:15 and 11:00 A.M. Invite a friend and join us as we celebrate the good news of Easter resurrection at all three worship services. In our time together we'll reflect on the powerful meaning the resurrection of Jesus has for our lives. During the morning we also invite you to bring fresh cut flowers to place on our Easter cross located in the churchyard!

EASTER LILIES...Would you like to help decorate our worship spaces with a beautiful Easter lily this year? You can purchase a lily and donate it in memory or honor of a family member or friend this Easter. The cost for a lily is \$11.00 and the deadline for notifying the church office is Wednesday, March 31. Please fill out the tear off and place it in the offering plate or mail/return it to the church office. Make your check out to Grace United Methodist Church and write "Lily" in the memo line.

Name_____Amount\$_____ #Lilies_____

In Honor of_____

In Memory of_____