Grace WEEKLY

NEW TO GRACE CHURCH?

Please make sure to fill out a Let's Connect Card! Our Information Center in the Welcome Area is open each Sunday morning to help you find information about the many ministries we offer. If you need further information, please feel free to call our church office at 239.694.2797.

We have two services each week:

Sunday	10AM	Contemporary
Sunday	11:30AM	Traditional

We love kids! During the 10AM Sunday service, we offer a full Children's Worship experience. Children are invited to go directly to Grace Place, which is located in the Fellowship Hall. We have a nursery available during all Sunday worship services to provide a safe and welcoming environment for children, newborn to three years of age. The nursery is equipped with toys, books and loving people to provide for the needs of your child. In addition, we have a beeper system to contact you, if your child needs you.

Join us for a free continental breakfast on Sundays served in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 - 11:30AM!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

We count, because people count…

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 10AM - 129 | 11:30AM - 38

Cape Coral Campus: 8:30AM - 231 | 10AM - 631 | 11:30AM - 540 | Celebrate Recovery - 248

Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30AM - 30 | 10AM - 121 | 11:30AM - 23 | Wednesday - 135

Grace Community Center: 10AM - 166 | Celebrate Recovery - 62

Total Worship Attendance: 2,106

GIVING: *Fort Myers Shores Campus*

General Fund: 8/4/2013 $835.39

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or set up an automatic monthly donation.

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GRACE NEWS

FIRST TIME VISITOR? - Welcome! We don't want to embarrass you by asking you to stand up or raise your hand, but we do want to welcome you. Would you take a moment to fill out a Let's Connect Card? You will find it in the back of the pew right in front of you. Let us know how we can pray for you or if there is something going on in your life that we might be able to help with. Make sure you grab some brunch and a free cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall. Feel free to look around and ask questions. We are glad you are here!

OFFICE HOURS - Our office is open during the week from 10AM - 2PM Monday through Friday. Looking for something to do through the week? We could use your help answering the phones, helping with special projects and more in the front office. Contact Beth for more information at brice@egracechurch.com.

INTERESTED IN MAKING GRACE CHURCH YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME? - A "Making My Connections at Grace Church" workshop is forming for next Sunday, August 18 at 12:45PM. You will learn about our mission, vision and values, and find a place to plug in that enriches your life and impacts the ministries of Grace Church. Write "MMC" on the back of your Let's Connect Card and we will contact you with the details!

TOOLS TO QUIT SMOKING - A free, two-hour smoking cessation class will be held at the Grace Community Center on Saturday August 17 from 10AM-12PM. Register for this class by calling 977.819.2357. This class will be offered every third Saturday from now through December.

FAITH PROMISE

REPORT FROM OUR MISSION PARTNERS RAY & LYDIA ZIRKEL SERVING IN COSTA RICA:
Thanks to your generous Faith Promise giving, we were able to continue supporting our Mission Partners Ray and Lydia Zirkel serving the Methodist Seminary, Methodist Children's Home and Methodist schools in Costa Rica. To learn more, check out their website zirkelministrycostarica.com.
"We are so excited to welcome once again a Grace Church mission team to the Children's Home. The staff and children are excited about your upcoming visit! Please give Grace Church our love and we ask that you keep us in prayer as we continue in the construction of the Children's Home and especially for the children that God has given us to care for! Looking forward to greeting the team at the airport on September 14"

At Grace Church, we seek to REACH people who are far from God, CONNECT them to God and other Christ-followers, FORM them to be more and more like Jesus, and SEND them into the world to serve God and others!

REACH

Contact Ellen Donald
edonald@egracechurch.com or visit the REACH wall in the Welcome Area.

UPWARD FOOTBALL SEASON IS COMING! - Football season is almost here and excitement is starting to build! We are organizing teams of coaches, referees, and concession stand workers. Let's get ready as 80 players and their families come on our campus to be impacted by our hospitality and our message. To be a part of the fun, contact Ellen at edonald@egracechurch.com.

KICKING IT WITH JC - Our Martial Arts/self-defense class is on Thursday evenings from 7 - 8PM in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone interested, 8 years and older, is invited to attend. Classes are taught by Bryan and Tricia Carpenter and there is no fee! Parents? Join us at 7PM in the Choir Room for an exercise group. No matter your level of fitness, you can do this simple, effective program.

CONNECT

Contact Robin Morrison
rmorrison@egracechurch.com or visit the CONNECT wall in the Welcome Area.

JOY GROUP - Meets Mondays in the Fellowship Hall from 1:30 - 3:30PM. The group is open to anyone 50+. This week is game week. Come take part in the fun. Call Alberta Ambrossen for more information at 239.694.8139.

FRIENDLY FACES - Are you quick with a smile? We welcome, and are in need of, friendly faces in the many hospitality opportunities at Grace Church. We have a spot with your name on it! Write "Connect" on your Let's Connect Card and someone from the Connect Team will contact you.

HOT BREAKFAST NEXT WEEK! - The Connect Team is putting on a delicious breakfast August 18 of scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy, sausage and hash browns. Join your friends for a hearty start to the day, donations are welcome!

FORM

Contact Lesley Merrifield
lmerrifield@egracechurch.com or visit the FORM wall in the Welcome Area.

NEW BIBLE STUDY IS OPEN TO ALL - 10AM on Thursday mornings, everyone is invited to join the JOY prayer group as they study the New Testament book of Philippians. Bring your Bible, a notebook, and an open heart to allow God's Word to speak to you.

WEDNESDAY MORNING WOMEN OF GRACE BIBLE STUDY - Summer is winding down, and the women's Bible study is starting back up! Join us at 10AM on Wednesdays in Room 3 as we make our way through the Bible together. Enjoy fellowship, prayer, and a greater understanding of God's Word.

GO DEEPER! - Discuss the Sunday message with friends over your morning coffee. Deep Dive study notes are available on the Form Wall to help you carefully and Biblically consider the sermon each week.

UNIVERSITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - Daily devotions are a great way to deepen your relationship with God, and grow in Grace. It is a new month, and the August *University of the Holy Spirit* bookmarks are on the Form wall. Not sure how to do daily devotions? Join us for a workshop TODAY at 6PM in Room 3. Bring your Bible and a notebook, and we'll see you there!

SEND

Contact Neil Johnson
njohnson@egracechurch.com or visit the SEND wall in the Welcome Area.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PACKING PARTY - Our annual packing party will be at the Grace Community Center and is scheduled for Saturday, September 14 at 11AM. We can't do it without you! Please join us for this event as we pack **5,000** shoeboxes to send to sensitive areas of the world where Christianity is frowned upon or even illegal. Items can be dropped off on Sundays in the Welcome Area or at the Church Office between 10AM - 2PM Monday through Friday. Now is a great time to get items on sale, like crayons, pens and pencils. If you are too busy to shop we will do it for you- just mark your check or envelope OCC.

SEND GLOBAL MISSION CONFERENCE - Mark your calendar for February 26 - March 2, 2014. Our Mission partners from around the world will be coming to Grace Church to report all that God is doing in and through the ministries we support by our Faith Promise giving!

AGE LEVEL

Contact Jena Curnoles jcurnoles@egracechurch.com

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES - Each age and stage is unique, so we've designed programming for your kids to learn about God and His great love for them.

GRACE PLACE - Children have a high priority at Grace Church. On Sunday mornings, kids have their very own worship experience at 10AM! Designed for Pre-K through 5th grade; kids enjoy the excitement of a high energy, large group environment with worship, Bible message and games. They also connect with God and make new friends in small groups. Kids, join us at Grace Place in the Large Fellowship Hall! **This week: I should trust and obey even when others don't.**

E-TEAM - Pre-K through 5th grade students, Wednesday nights from 6 - 8 PM is where it is happening! Children learn about Jesus in a safe and nurturing environment through Bible stories, worship, crafts and games. Free dinner is served.

PRIMETIME - We will meet all summer! Middle school and high school students- come experience a growing friendship with Jesus Christ, develop a genuine love for others, and become equipped to serve in ministry through our mid-week program. Join us on Wednesdays from 6 - 8PM, free dinner is served!

RECOVERY

Contact Douglas Petri dpetri@egracechurch.com

TWICE THE FUN! - The walk aerobics class now meets twice a week! This is a great way to get in shape. You can do this exercise program regardless of your fitness level. Join us for a workout on Monday and Thursday evenings at 6:30PM in the Choir Room! There is no charge and all are welcome!

INTENSIVE 12 STEP STUDIES! - Are you a man ready to make a real change in your life? Scott Thornton is preparing to start a 12 Step Group at the Central Campus where you will work through your steps. Contact Scott at 239.603.5975 for details, dates and times.

AA MEETING - Hope is found here. Join us Thursday evenings at 8PM in the Resource Room.

ANXIOUS? - If you, a family member or friend are going through stressful times and need someone to listen, pray for and encourage you, get a confidential Stephen Minister. Mark your Let's Connect Card, or call Pastor Shari Lacey at 239.694.2797.

A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI…

Why is it so difficult for some of us to "do devotions"? I mean, we all know we should spend some time during the day reading the Bible, praying, and meditating- right? Seems like we are so busy, that when we slow down to read or slow down to pray we find it uncomfortable. As a culture, we prize accomplishment and productivity. Who has time to stop, sit down, read, and pray? Every bone in our bodies scream, "get to work!". I understand, I really do.

It is a challenge for all of us to carve out time to dedicate to the discipline. But the goal is not really to *do* devotions. It is to know and experience God! Devotions are simply the method through which we connect with God. So, what do you say? Will you join with me back here this evening in Room 3 for a short class on using the S.O.A.P. method for daily devotions? Hope to see you tonight at 6!

I love being your Pastor!

Pastor Shari

Shari Lacey | Campus Pastor
slacey@egracechurch.com

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 10AM - 2PM

LEADERSHIP

Lead Pastor	**Jorge Acevedo***
Campus Pastor	**Shari Lacey***
Worship Leader	**Michelle Weger***
Director of Age Level Ministries	**Jena Curnoles***
Administrative Assistant	**Beth Rice***
Care Team	**Judy Edwards**
Reach Team	**Ellen Donald***
Connect Team	**Robin Morrison***
Form Team	**Leslie Merrifield***
Send Team	**Neil Johnson***
Facilities Leader	**Marty Neubert***
Finance	**Charlotte Nesta***
Nursery Coordinator	**Gail Leindecker**
Organist/Traditional Choir	**Erich Bredehoeft**
Recovery Ministries	**Douglas Petri***

*You can easily send an email to these staff members by using their first initial and last name @egracechurch.com
EXAMPLE: Doe, John= jdoe@egracechurch.com
Other inquiries can be sent to shoresoffice@egracechurch.com

GRACE CHURCH...*one church in **many** locations!*

GOD'S VISION FOR GRACE CHURCH IS:

To partner with God in transforming people from unbelievers to fully devoted disciples of Jesus to the glory of God.

FORT MYERS SHORES CAMPUS

14036 Matanzas Drive
Fort Myers, FL 33905
239.694.2797

Worship Times:

10AM - Contemporary
11:30AM - Traditional

CAPE CORAL CAMPUS

13 SE 21st Place
Cape Coral, FL 33990
239.574.7161

Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional
10 &11:30AM - Contemporary

FORT MYERS CENTRAL CAMPUS

2415 Grand Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901
239.334.3160

Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional
10 &11:30AM - Contemporary
6:30PM (Wed) - Contemporary

GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway
North Fort Myers, FL 33903
239.656.1320

Worship Times:

10AM - Contemporary

GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER THRIFT STORE

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway
North Fort Myers, FL 33903
239.656.0122

Hours:

Tues-Sat: 10AM - 4PM
Wed: 10AM - 5:30PM

FORT MYERS CENTRAL THRIFT STORE

2415 Grand Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901
239.244.5712

Hours:

Saturday: 10AM - 3PM
Sunday: 10AM - 3PM

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