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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. Have questions, or want to speak to one of our ministry leaders? Please feel free to call our church office at 239.694.2797.

We have two worship services each week and various programming on Wednesdays:

Sunday	10 AM	Contemporary
Sunday	11:30 AM	Traditional
Wednesday	6 PM	Various Programming

(Information on Wednesday programming and classes can be found throughout this Grace Weekly.)

We love kids! During the 10 AM 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 - 11:30 AM!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

We count, because people count. . .

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 10 AM - 182 | 11:30 AM - 54

Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 AM - 348 | 10 AM - 769 | 11:30 AM - 453

Online viewers 165

Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30 AM - 42 | 10 AM - 142 | Wed - 161

Grace Community Center: 10 AM - 207

Celebrate Recovery: Tuesday - N/A | Friday - 312

Total Worship Attendance: 2,825

GIVING: *Fort Myers Shores Campus*

General Fund: 1/26/2014 $5,441.04

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GRACE NEWS

ARE YOU A 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. Make sure you grab some FREE sweets and a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall, which is located on the east side of the Worship Center.

NEW **CHILD PROTECTION CLASS -** The safety and well being of our children and youth is vital to us here at Grace Church. Each and every person coming in contact with our kids is required to take a Child Protection class and have a background check. Are you interested in becoming a part of our team? The next class is at the Cape Coral campus on Wednesday, February 12 at 6 PM in "Grace Place", located in the Children and Youth Building. Questions? Contact Heather Evans at 239.573.6890.

NEW **YOUTH FUNDRAISER -** Don't miss this opportunity to make this Valentine's Day twice as sweet. For just $5.00 you can have delicious Valentine cookies delivered to your sweetheart either at home or here at the church. Deliveries will be made Sunday, February 9. All proceeds will be used to help send students on spiritual retreats, to camp or on mission trips. Order forms available in Grace Weekly or at the table outside the Welcome Area.

NEW **FOREVER FRIENDS PET EXPO -** Save the date! February 22 from 10 AM to 4 PM, bring your pets to enjoy a day created especially for you to enjoy together! It will be at the Grace Community Center, at 4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway, North Fort Myers. There will be contests, vendors, pet vaccinations, grooming, games, food, silent auction and more! And, we are announcing the first ever "Walk in Faith" to help bring awareness to the many homeless animals in our area, and we will have animals on site available for adoption. Contact Carol at 239.574.7161 if you need information, and plan to bring your pet to the expo!

MEMORIAL SERVICE - The memorial service for Erich Bredehoeft is Friday, February 7 at 1:30 PM at Messiah Lutheran Church (2691 Pine Island Rd, Cape Coral).

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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 SOCCER - Registration has begun for what promises to be a great soccer season! With our family friendly schedule of one hour practices and one hour games, this a great opportunity for your busy family to be involved in sports. Pick up a registration form in the welcome area today, and let your friends and neighbors know about this program. Want to help? Coaches, assistants, concession stand helpers - are all needed. Be a part of a ministry reaching children with the love of Christ. Contact Tanya Melcher at 239.745.7704.

CONNECT

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

SECOND SUNDAY HOT BREAKFAST - Join the Scouts for an all—you—can—eat pancake next Sunday, February 9, from 9 to 11:30AM. At just $5 for adults and $3 for children under 10, this is the best breakfast in town! Help send a Scout to camp and enjoy the fellowship of your Grace Church family. See you there!

FREE PAINTING LESSONS! - Every Tuesday at the Grace Community Center from 9 AM—noon join with painters at all levels for lessons in several mediums and techniques. The instructor is the award winning Joyce Kostelak, who can be reached at 239.656.0660. A water color class starts next week, so contact Joyce to see what supplies you will need.

VALENTINE'S EVENT - On Friday night, February 14, all adults are invited to attend an event celebrating love! We will enjoy a potluck dinner at 6:30 PM, and a **hilarious** video at 7:30 PM that highlights the differences in the way women and men think. Please bring your best Italian dish—pasta, salad, or dessert. We'll supply bread and drinks. Join the fun!

JOY GROUP - Calling all seniors, from 50 to 100+! Join the Joy Group each Monday at 1:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fun, friendship, and fellowship. You don't want to miss a single week—there's always interesting speakers and enjoyable activities. Need a ride? Call Adela at 239.694.8035. All are welcome—spread the word!

FORM

Contact the Church Office shoresoffice@egracechurch.com or visit the FORM wall in the Welcome Area.

REGISTER NOW FOR MEN'S RETREAT 2014—SPACE IS RUNNING OUT! - Join with men from every Grace Church campus at the Christian Retreat Center on Fort Myers Beach! "Sons of Grace: The Character of a Godly Man" will be led by Pastors Jorge and Pastor Wes and other special guests. The dates are February 7–9, 2014. Registration is just $50, which includes all meals. Limited lodging is available for an additional $50. Sign up online at egracechurch.com/men today!

REGISTER NOW FOR 2014 WOMEN'S RETREAT - Now is the time to register for what will be a relaxing, filling, 2 day spiritual retreat. The price is just $85 and it will include lodging, materials, and meals! The retreat is April 12 - 13, so mark your calendars, and log onto egracechurch.com to register today. Please contact Paulette Jones for information at 239.896.7370.

SAVE THE DATE - On Sunday, February 9 at 6 PM a parent meeting will be held for all students who are participating in the 2014 Confirmation class. Confirmation is the process of investigation and discovery, by which students claim their faith as their own! In the United Methodist Church confirmation is a repeatable right and we are offering it to any student who has completed 6th grade. To sign up for Confirmation and to RSVP for the parent meeting email Michelle Weger at mweger@egracechurch.com or call the church office at 239.694.2797.

SEND

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

GLOBAL MISSION CONFERENCE - February 26 - March 2 is right around the corner! Are you interested in hosting a missionary in your home or helping with our planned events for this exciting week? Simply write "Missions" on your Let's Connect Card, and someone from the team will get back with you.

PLEASE PRAY - For the Nicaragua Mission Team, in the field until February 9! Team Nicaragua is Larry Fitch, Brian Carpenter, Larry Woodis, and Bob Johnson.

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AGE LEVEL

GRACE PLACE - Children have a high priority at Grace Church. On Sunday mornings, kids have their very own worship experience at 10 AM! Designed for Pre-K through 5th grade; kids enjoy the excitement of a high energy 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 Fellowship Hall!

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.

STUDENT MINISTRY - Students grades 6-12 are invited to join us on Wednesday night for a fun time of hanging out, playing games, worship, and a message about how God wants to relate to us! We begin with a free dinner at 6 PM and programming ends at 8 PM .

NEW YEAR, NEW NAME, NEWSLETTER - Be sure to grab a copy of the very first edition of "Revolution News," the quarterly newsletter for our student ministries. They are on the Connect wall in the Welcome Area. The student leadership team has rebranded our youth group as "Revolution" and there are a lot of events and trips coming up, so make sure you pick up a newsletter to stay in the know!

RECOVERY

Contact shoresoffice@egracechurch.com

12 STEPS FOR CHRISTIANS - For decades, God has used the healing power of the 12 Steps to restore the lives of countless individuals. God conveys the healing process through people who know what it is to be broken and mended by God . Whatever the source of your pain, this group will walk alongside you as you discover freedom from unhealthy habits and attitudes. 12 Steps for Christians begins Wednesday, February 5, at 6:30 PM. Childcare is provided, and you are invited to grab a free dinner to– go at 6:16 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

WALK AWAY THE POUNDS - Our low-impact aerobics class is FREE and you are among encouraging friends. You can do the exercise program, regardless of your fitness level, leaving you feeling better and looking better too! Join us for a workout on Monday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Choir Room. All are welcome!

AA WORKS! - If you have a problem with drinking, you are not alone. Join us Thursday evenings at 8 PM in the Resource Room. You will find a warm welcome and will get help from people who have been there.

JUST NEED A LISTENING EAR? - 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 Leigh Jarvis at 239.574.7161.

A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI:

Have you seen the movie *City Slickers*? A New York businessman and husband named Mitch is in the middle of a mid-life crisis and travels to a dude ranch to "find himself". He meets up with a crusty old ranch hand named Curly who asks him, "Do you know the secret of life?" Of course Mitch doesn't have a clue. Curly holds up one finger and says, "This". Mitch asks, "Your finger?" Curley replies, "One thing, just one thing." Mitch immediately asks, "What's the one thing?" Curley grins and tells him, "That's what you gotta figure out."

How is it going for you? Have you identified your one thing? That thing you know you are meant to do—that God-sized dream inside you screaming to get out and be expressed? Speak to us Lord, your servants are listening!

Blessings,

Pastor Shari

Pastor Shari Lacey
slacey@egracechurch.com

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9 AM - 1 PM

LEADERSHIP

Lead Pastor	**Jorge Acevedo***
Campus Pastor	**Shari Lacey***
Director of Worship and Youth Ministries	**Michelle Weger***
Director of Children's Ministries	**Beverly Cox***
Administrative Assistant	**Tina Glenn***
Care Team	**Judy Edwards**
Reach Team	**Ellen Donald***
Connect Team	**Robin Morrison***
Send Team	**Neil Johnson***
Facilities	**Douglas Petri**
Finance	**Charlotte Nesta***
Nursery Coordinator	**Gail Leindecker**
Organist/Traditional Choir	**Dr. Phillip Weatherford**

*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:

10 AM - Contemporary
11:30 AM - Traditional

CAPE CORAL CAMPUS

13 SE 21st Place
Cape Coral, FL 33990
239.574.7161

Worship Times:

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

FORT MYERS CENTRAL CAMPUS

2415 Grand Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901
239.334.3160

Worship Times:

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

GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway
North Fort Myers, FL 33903
239.656.1320

Worship Times:

10 AM - Contemporary

GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER THRIFT STORE

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway
North Fort Myers, FL 33903
239.656.0122

Hours:

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

FORT MYERS CENTRAL THRIFT STORE

2415 Grand Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901
239.244.5712

Hours:

Saturday - Monday
10 AM - 3 PM

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