GraceWEEKLY

January 18, 2015

To PARTNER with GOD in TRANSFORMING
people from unbelievers to fully devoted
DISCIPLES of Jesus to the
GLORY OF GOD.

HELLO, AND GOOD MORNING! IF YOU ARE A FIRST TIME VISITOR, WE WANT TO EXTEND A SPECIAL WELCOME TO YOU!

We don't want to embarrass you by asking you to stand up or raise your hand, but we do want to give you a very warm welcome! We want you to know we are glad you're here, so would you please 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 sweets and a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall, which is located on the east side of the Worship Center. If you 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 LOVE KIDS! - During our 10 AM Sunday service, we offer a full **Children's Worship** time. Children are invited to go to Grace Place, which is located in the Fellowship Hall. We also have a **Nursery** available during all Sunday worship services to provide a safe and welcoming place for children, newborn to three years of age. The nursery has responsible loving people, toys, and books to provide for the needs of your child. We also have a beeper system in place to contact you, if your child needs you.

We have two worship services each week and various programs throughout the week:

Sunday 8:30 AM Traditional

Sunday 10:00 AM Contemporary

Please join us for a **free** continental breakfast on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday 6 - 8 PM Youth program - E-Team and Revolution

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: January 5, 2014 - January 11, 2015

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 8:30 AM - 40 | 10 AM -174 | Wed - 85 Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 AM - 296 | 10 AM - 681 | 11:30 AM - 340

Online Viewers: 151

Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30 AM - 24 | 10 AM - 152 | Wed - 140

Grace Community Center: 10 AM - 192

Celebrate Recovery: Monday - 112 | Tuesday - 47 | Friday - 215

Total Worship Attendance: 2649
GIVING: Fort Myers Shores Campus
General Fund: 01/11/2015 \$6,773.85

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT - Fort Myers Shores

UPWARD SPORTS - Soccer season is right around the corner. Registration begins February 17, and practices start in March. Upward is a sports league which promotes fun and fellowship while learning a sport. It focuses on character development as well as skills. If your child is kindergarten age through 6th grade, have them join us for a great season! Every child gets to play equal time. Contact Jessica Llado at 239.980.1736 or Ryan Pitts at 239.980.0511 or call the church office 239-694-2797.

HARRY CHAPIN HUNGER WALK - A HUGE Thank You to all who participated to make this a great success! Because of your support we can continue in our community to help feed the hungry!

WANT A HEALTHY LIFE? - God designed our bodies to be healthy, providing everything we need to thrive and live abundantly. The Daniel Plan is a biblical approach to achieving a healthy lifestyle where participants are encouraged to get healthy together by optimizing the key elements of faith, food, fitness, focus, and friends. The concepts in this experience will encourage you to deepen your relationship with God and develop a community of supportive friends who will encourage you to make healthy choices. This is a lifestyle change, one choice at a time, and several here have benefitted from the program! What have you got to lose? Two new groups will be starting on Tuesday, February 3. The times are 1PM and 6:30PM; group lasts about an hour and a half. You will need to purchase the Daniel Plan book and workbook. If this is Interests you, or if you have questions; write DANIEL on your "Let's Connect Card" and also check out the website at danielplan.com.

NEW YEAR! NEW DIRECTORY! - Our new picture directory will help us all get to know one another better. The directory will also be a wonderful gift for new members, helping them to get to know their new church family. Watch the Grace Weekly for more information to schedule a time to have your picture taken and update your information.

NEW CLASSES STARTING - Check the Form section of this Grace Weekly.

NEED HELP WITH COLLEGE FUNDING? - Sinclair Scholarship for United Methodist youth may be able to help. Scholarship applications, guidelines and financial worksheets may be downloaded from www.fumf.org or obtain by call the Foundation at 866.363.9673. Check the "what's happening" wall for more info.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS – Are you ready to make Grace Church your home? Then your participation in our membership class will inform you about our God given mission and vision and where you fit in. Write "Member" on your "Let's Connect" card and we will contact you!

CHILD PROTECTION CLASS - The next class will be on February 8, at 11:15 AM in the Fellowship Hall, it is a 45 minute class. The class is mandatory for anyone working with our children and youth,.

REACH

2ND SATURDAY! - This is an outreach to neighbors in need; offering prayer, health counselling, budgeting help, lunch, Choice Food Pantry and more. Please mark your calendars; the next 2nd Saturday is February 14. Please continue to bring items for our food pantry each week and coupons without expiration dates or those with dates after February 2015. It's still not too late to volunteer; and you are much needed. Contact Adela at phll584@comcast.net or 239.694.8035.

KICKING IT WITH JC - Martial Arts/self-defense classes are available on Monday evenings at 8PM for adults, and on Thursday evenings at 7PM for anyone 8 years old or older. This takes place in the Fellowship Hall, and there is no charge! If you wish to be a part of this or need more info call Bryan and Tricia Carpenter at 239.826.2032.

HELPING HANDS - Do you know a person who could benefit from the Ministry of the helping hands? Could be a neighbor, could be a friend-it just needs to be somebody who does not have the means to get a much-needed project done. Just have them contact the church office at 239.694.2797 and we can take it from there!

CONNECT

Contact Tina Glenn at dtina1031@aol.com

SAVE THE DATE - Potluck/Picnic at the Locks is February 15, 1PM - 4PM!

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. Come and join us on January 19; for games week! You don't want to miss a single week - there's always interesting speakers and enjoyable activities. Do you need a ride? Call Adela at 239.694.8035 or Alberta at 239.694.8139. All are welcome – spread the word.

IT'S CHOCOLATE TIME! - Get you tickets TODAY for this year's <u>TASTE OF</u> <u>CHOCOLATE</u> Women's luncheon: Saturday Jan 24, 10 - 1:00 in Fellowship Hall. It's cost \$8.00. Tickets are on sale today under the awing and can be purchased at the church office during the week, or online at ww.egracechurch.com. If you have questions, ask Carol Kennedy or email at drckennedy@comcast.net

STORY OF JESUS - With over 200 actors and 100 animals the story of Jesus is being told on March 28, 7PM in Wauchula. Group ticket price is \$20 for 25 or more. Tickets go on sale in February, please mark your "Lets Connect" card "The Story" if you are interested so we can get a count for group prices. Let's get a great big group to go so we can experience this together! Questions call the church office at 239.694.2797.

CRAFTERS NEEDED! - We will supply all the materials and instructions - will you make ornaments for our Chrismon tree? You'll have plenty of time to make our Christmas tree spectacular next year! Contact Jacque Rippe at 239-694-0451.

SEND

SEND GLOBAL MISSION CONFERENCE - "HERE, THERE, AND

EVERYWHERE" ACTS 1:8. Send Global 2015 Mission Conference is coming fast! So here is a peek at the schedule so you can mark your calendar for Mission week. **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 4: KICKOFF CELEBRATION AT CENTRAL!** Come and meet the Missionaries beginning at 5:30 PM; you won't want to miss the Wednesday night service and dinner to follow.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5: MEET THE MISSIONARIES GCC. Beginning at 6:30 PM. Enjoy some light finger foods and hear about some of the amazing ministry that is taking place around the world through our partners!

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7: INTERNATIONAL BANQUET right here at the **FORT MYERS SHORES CAMPUS** beginning at 5:30 PM. This is a great evening event where you can dine with our mission partners.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8: Missionaries will be at **ALL** campuses of Grace Church. **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8: ALL CAMPUS YOUTH EVENT AT CAPE CAMPUS** with the Missionaries beginning at 5 PM! Attention Youth - plan on bringing a friend

FORM

Contact the church office at shoresoffice @ egracechurch.com

JOY PRAYER BIBLE STUDY - If you are 55 or older then bring your Bible and prayer requests and enjoy this opportunity of study in the Word. We meet in the small Fellowship Hall enjoy coffee and donuts on Thursdays 9:30 - 12 PM. Have questions, then call Lesley at 239.693.5431.

DISCIPLE - is the in depth Bible study you've been waiting for! We will teach the class in two parts, the first is on the Old Testament, and it will last until Spring. The study emphasizes the wholeness of the Bible as a revelation of God. Each member of the group needs a study manual and a Bible. The Bible is the text for the study and the study manual will guide group members in their study and preparation for the weekly group session. The study manual is available here at the Church for \$40, and it will cover both the Old and New Testaments. Classes will start Sunday February 1 at 12 Noon. Used and nearly new manuals are available online or your local Christian bookstore.

IMMERSE YOURSELF! - Journey inside the pages of Scripture where you will meet a personal God who wants to begin a creative work in you from the inside out! IMMERSION Bible study stands firmly on the Word and helps you explore the emotional, spiritual, and intellectual needs of your soul. The small group experience, patterned after Acts 2:42 studying the book of John will offer new insights into God's Word, your own life, and your relationship with God. IMMERSION will begin Wednesday, January 21. Join us for dinner at 6:10 and class at 6:30. We provide a meal and ministry for your children too, so join us! New participants guides are \$10, and slightly used ones are \$5. Register today by writing "John" on your "Let's Connect" card!

AGE LEVEL

GRACE PLACE - On **Sunday mornings from 10** - **11 AM**, Grace Place is where kids want to be! Pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade students have fun with musical worship, activities, and a Bible lesson that goes along with the sermon their parents are hearing. Come to the Fellowship Hall and join friends you know and those you still have yet to meet as we praise God together!

E-TEAM - Pre-K through 5th grade students are in for an *awesome* time **Wednesday evenings from 6 - 8 PM**. We start with a free dinner and then enjoy learning about Jesus through music, Bible stories, crafts and games! Come hang with us! You'll be glad you did!

REVOLUTION - Students sixth grade through college level, join us on January 14 for dinner at 6PM, and a fun time of hanging out, playing games, worship, and a message about how God wants to relate to us! So plan to come and bring a friend!

RECOVERY

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CELEBRATE RECOVERY CENTRAL CAMPUS - This Monday Jan 19, come and hear a lesson on Action by Rochelle R. Please don't come alone - bring a friend! Dinner at 6:00 PM, large group at 6:45 PM, small groups at 8:00 PM. Have questions? Contact Rochelle Redmon at rochelleredmon@gmail.com or call the office 239.334.3160.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY CAPE CAMPUS - This Friday, Jan 23 hear a lesson on Powerless by Pastor Arlene. Don't come alone - bring a friend! Dinner at 5:30PM, large group 6:45PM, small groups 8:00PM, Solid rock café at 9:00PM. Have questions? Contact Greg at gmulkey@egracechurch.com or call the church office at 239.574.7161.

FITNESS - FAITH - FELLOWSHIP - Join us for a meditation workout on Monday and walk away the pounds on Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Choir Room. You can do the **FREE** program, regardless of your age or fitness level, and you will leave feeling better! Call Jacque Rippe for more info at 239.694.0451.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - You will find a warm welcome from people who have been where you are. "Anonymity and confidentiality" are the core of this group. Join us Thursday evenings at 8 PM in Room 2.

DIVORCE CARE SUPPORT GROUP - It's not too late for you to still join. You will discover there are other people who understand the hurts and emotions as well as learn practical and helpful information how to recover from your separation or divorce. Our very own Dennis and Tina Glenn will be facilitating this group starting January 14 for 14 weeks from 6:30-7:45 PM Wednesdays at the Cape Campus Cost: \$15 for materials

A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI:

Good Morning!

Today begins a new series on GRACE! It is amazing, and I hope you will be here each week! We will be preaching from the scriptures and will also draw on our Wesleyan heritage to "unpack" the subject. The New Testament writers and John Wesley had a lot to say on the topic of grace.

I want to share a few things about Wesley a founder of the United Methodist Church. He was an open air preacher, rather than an indoor pulpit expositor. He reached people the way Jesus did! Wesley knew the heartbeat of God. He understood the reason for the cross, and he travelled and preached like there was no tomorrow. John had his quirks, but little else mattered to him but the Great Commission. If that makes him stand out from you and I, we need to make the adjustment!

John Wesley said, "If you are on fire for God, people will show up just to watch you burn." It is my prayer that this sermon series lights a fire in your soul!

I love being your pastor!

Pastor Shari

Pastor Shari Lacey slacey@egracechurch.com



Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 AM - 1 PM

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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:

8:30 AM - Traditional 10:00 AM Contemporary

CAPE CORAL CAMPUS

13 SE 21st Place Cape Coral, FL 33990 239.574.7161

Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional

FORT MYERS CENTRAL **CAMPUS**

2415 Grand Avenue Fort Myers, FL 33901 239.334.3160

Worship Times:

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

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Hours:

Saturday - Monday 10 AM - 3 PM









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