

10/18/15

PRAYER

If you are visiting and/or have a prayer request, be sure to fill out, tear off and place the perforated section in the offering plate! Take this opportunity to make specific prayer requests known to our prayer warriors!

Name: _____

I would like my request kept confidential

I would like my request shared with a prayer team

Request:

GCC Monthly Prayer Guides are available at the Information Center! \$10 suggested donation.

Please Pray for:

- ◆ Strength and peace for the family of Kyle Hanna as his grandfather has been diagnosed with terminal lung cancer.
- ◆ Pray for Krista Paulsen as she has a broken leg and surgery is planned for Monday. Pray that the swelling is down in her leg so that she can have surgery on Monday.
- ◆ Alex Kirby while he is traveling to 11 countries in 11 months for the World Race missions trip!
- ◆ Peace and quality of life for John Verkade, dad of Geoff.
- ◆ Progression and pain relief for Rita Knight as she continues physical therapy to regain use of the arm that she broke.

NEXT SUNDAY 10/25

- ◆ 9:00 a.m. Fellowship Time (coffee & treats)
- ◆ 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for ALL Ages!
- ◆ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- ◆ Benevolence Offering
- ◆ It's Italian Potluck! Please bring a main dish plus a side to share.

Just a reminder to those serving next week at Grace . . .

- Baker ~ Marsha Arrowood
- Cup of Grace Server ~ Kaylynn Christenson
- Greeters ~ Matt & Shellie Grabau, Peggy Williams
- Welcome/Info Center ~ Kathy Springer
- Scripture Reading ~ Angie Johnston ~ II Corinthians 8:1-9
- Offertory Prayer ~ Geoff Verkade
- Ushers ~ Steve & Sherry Erb, Rod Thompson
- Nursery ~ Kathy O'Neill, Chelsea & Chloe Clark, Ann Marie DeVries
- Children's Church ~ Woolston, Eshelman ~ Lesson 12
- GCC mower beginning week of 10/18 ~ Josh Anderson

FIGHTER VERSE

For the week of October 25, 2015

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.” Ephesians 4:32

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GRACE Community Church



We exist to glorify God
 By seeking Christ
 Who is our life,
 And by proclaiming
 His saving grace.

Emotions III: From Ingratitude to Gratitude

October 18, 2015

Speaker: Pastor Tim Trudeau

1. What's going on with me?

2. What does this emotion tell me?
3. How does the Gospel speak to me?
4. Where does the Gospel lead me?
5. How do I get there?
6. Where can I find help?

1. What is Ingratitude? Ingratitude is a _____ and _____ spirit

2. What is the Root of Ingratitude? Ingratitude is a sense of _____

3. How Does the Gospel Address my Ingratitude?

Ephesians 2:8-9, I Timothy 6:6-8, I Corinthians 4:7, James 1:17

4. What is Gratitude? Gratitude is a _____, _____ spirit that flows from a sense of inner richness.

II Corinthians 6:10, 9:8

5. How is Gratitude Manifested? Gratitude is manifested in _____

Luke 19:8-9, 7:36-38, II Corinthians 8:1-4, 8:9

6. What Resource Can I Consult?

Miroslav Volf, Free of Charge, chs. 1-3

Gratitude Worksheet:

“I am grateful for _____”

“Because I am grateful I give _____.”

Text questions to 22333 and begin your text with 14774 followed by your question.

TODAY

- ◆ If You Are Visiting Grace Community Church for the first time, we are so glad you are worshipping with us!
 - ◆ Please fill out a visitor information card and either place it in the offering basket or drop it off at the Information Center.
 - ◆ **Children's Activity Bags** are available near the double entry doors!
 - ◆ **Children's Church** following the scripture reading. This is a special worship service for our children which includes music, teaching, activities, and an offering, with the funds going to Operation Christmas Child! To help prevent distractions, please leave toys and phones with parents/guardians.
 - ◆ **Operation Christmas Child** boxes & brochures are available in the Courtyard! Boxes are due to GCC by November 15.
 - ◆ **Connection Groups & Kid's Connection!**
Leaders: Please pick up your discussion questions.
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THIS WEEK

- ◆ **Men's Prayer Time**
Wednesday morning at 6:00 ~ 122 Marshall Street, Trudeau's home
 - ◆ **IGNITE youth group!** Wednesday evening
Middle School 6-8:00 High School 7:45-9:30
Fuel Cells small group Bible Studies Wednesday evening
Middle School 8-9:00 High School 6:30-7:45
 - ◆ **Stephen Ministry Training** (For those currently enrolled in the class)
Thursday evening reading assignment: Process versus Results in Caregiving reading, SMTM 81-88, Chapters 4-7 in Speaking the Truth in Love, Review chapters 2 & 18 in Christian Caregiving - a Way of Life
 - ◆ **Women's Study ~ Suffering and the Sovereignty of God**
Friday morning at 10:00 in the GCC Library
Saturday morning at 9:00 at 327 Sunrise Street, Deb Todd's home
 - ◆ **Men's Bible Study**
Saturday morning at 8:00 ~ GCC Library
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CELEBRATING THIS WEEK!

Happy Birthday: 10/18 – Isabelle Gresik, Tim Trudeau; 10/19 - Chris Gaskill, Abigail Shaver; 10/21 - David Mozena; 10/22 - Angie Johnston; 10/23 - Strummer Grout

Happy Anniversary: 10/19 - Ron & Cindy Hinds 40th!; 10/21 - Josh & Keesha Webster 15th!

YTD Budget: \$253,088.08

YTD Income: \$245,030.73

Connection Groups Today!

Leaders Meeting time & location

Richard & Katie Darby
298.3104

Meet during Sunday School 9:15 am

Tim & Rita Knight
432.7653

Monte & Pat Vannorsdel 5:15
1322 Union Street

Chris & Paulette Myers
432.4071

Check with leaders 5:15

Joe & Robin Smith
432.8416

Steve & Sherry Erb 5:15
1359 Quill Avenue

Tim & Cari Trudeau
433.1146

GCC for Kids Connection 4:45

Matt & Shelle Grabau
515.344.1274

Joel & Tracy Waltz 5:15
325 Linn Street

As Connection is the primary place for outreach and assimilation, fellowship, discipleship, missions promotion, communication, and care and accountability for the members of Grace, please consider getting involved!

For more information contact any Connection leader, the church office or stop at the Information Center.

Small Church Discussion Questions, 10/18/15
Emotions III: From Ingratitude to Gratitude

Define Ingratitude:

What are some reasons or circumstances that we may be ungrateful?

What did Pastor Tim suggest was the root of ingratitude? DO you agree or disagree? Why?

How does the Gospel transform our emotions, healing ingratitude?

List 10 manifestations of grace in our lives for which we should be grateful:

Define Gratitude:

Consider this quote: *“A rich self has a distinct attitude toward the past, the present, and the future. It surveys the past with gratitude for what it has received, not with annoyance about what it hasn’t achieved or about how little it has been given. A rich self lives in the present with contentment...it is ‘always having all sufficiency in everything’...A rich self looks toward the future with trust. It gives rather than holding back in fear of coming out too short, because it believes God’s promise that God will take care of it. Finite and endangered, the rich self still gives, because its life is ‘hidden with Christ’ in the infinite, unassailable, and utterly generous God, the Lord of the present, the past, and the future.”* What is the connection between gratitude and faith?

Can you think of a Scriptural promise that guarantees “God will take care of it?”

Pastor Tim suggested the chief manifestation of gratitude in our lives is generosity. Can you think of other possible evidences of a grateful heart?

The Macedonians, out of the riches of grace, gave generously, monetarily to relieve the suffering of the saints in Jerusalem. What are other practical ways generosity manifests itself in our actions?

What is the most significant “takeaway” from this sermon for you? How will it impact or change you?