

11/29/15 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:

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

Please Pray for:

- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Please be in prayer for God's leading as we seek to fill the Office Administrator position for our church.



139 Operation Christmas Child boxes were collected at GCC!

Thank you for taking the time to touch a child's life in a very impactful way!

Thanks to many helpers, GCC looks beautiful for Christmas!



YTD Budget: \$290,125.36  
YTD Income: \$287,634.00

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

- Baker ~ Linda Alber
- Cup of Grace Server ~ Eric Prazak
- Greeters ~ Evelyn Woolston, Jim & Heidi McPartland
- Welcome/Info Center ~ Kaylynn Christenson
- Scripture Reading ~ LeAnn Paulsen
- Offertory Prayer ~ Jolene Philo
- Ushers ~ Dave Mozena, Geoff Verkade, Matt Grabau
- Nursery ~ Shaver family, Jonah Waltz

Children's Church ~ Practice for the Christmas Program

*FIGHTER VERSE* For the week of December 6, 2015  
 "At my first defense, no one came to my support, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them."  
II Timothy 4:16

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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 IX: FROM DESPAIR TO HOPE

November 29, 2015

Speaker: Pastor Tim Trudeau

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### I. What am I experiencing? What is Despair?- II Cor. 1:8-9

Depression is an emotional \_\_\_\_\_ that often carries with it \_\_\_\_\_ ramifications.

### II. What is the Root of Despair?- II Cor. 1:9

The root of despair is self-\_\_\_\_\_

### III. How Does the Gospel Heal Me of My Despair?- II Cor. 1:9-10

I Corinthians 15:3-5, II Corinthians 4:7-11, 12:7-10

### IV. What is Hope?- II Cor. 1:9-10, I Peter 1:3

### V. How Do I Know?

- 1) The Hopeful are in \_\_\_\_\_ Relationships with Others- II Cor. 1:11
- 2) The Hopeful Abide in the \_\_\_\_\_ Rom. 15:4
- 3) The Hopeful Preach the \_\_\_\_\_ to Themselves Every Day- Psalm 42:5

### VI. What Resources are Available?

Edward Welch, Depression: Looking Up from the Stubborn Darkness

## 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. The children will practice for the *Christmas Program* to be held December 13 during the worship service! To help prevent distractions, please leave toys and phones with parents/guardians.
  - ◆ A benevolence fund offering will be collected in the Courtyard as you leave and on the last Sunday of each month. These funds are used to assist those with special needs within our congregation.
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## THIS WEEK

- ◆ **Men's Prayer Time**  
Tuesday 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: Helping Suicidal Persons Get the Help They Need, SMTM 307-325
  - ◆ **Women's Study ~ Suffering and the Sovereignty of God**  
Friday morning at 10:00 ~ GCC Library  
Saturday morning at 9:00 ~ 327 Sunrise Street, home of Deb Todd
  - ◆ **Men's Bible Study**  
Saturday morning at 8:00 ~ GCC Library
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## CELEBRATING THIS WEEK!

Happy Birthday: 11/29 – Angie DeVries; 12/02 - Michelle Parks

## NEXT SUNDAY 12/06

- ◆ 9:00 a.m. Fellowship Time (coffee & treats)
- ◆ 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for ALL Ages!
- ◆ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- ◆ Connection Groups  
Leaders: Please notify the office of meeting locations.

# Christmas is Coming!

**DON'T miss these opportunities** to celebrate the birth of our Lord & Savior, Jesus!



**Children's Christmas Program** during the worship service on Sunday, December 13.



Service at 8:00 p.m.