



MARCH 2010

A Glance At Grace

Staying on Mission

by Pastor Walker

Throughout any given month, there are a number of things we do as a church to accomplish our mission of transforming the world around us by sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ, equipping people on their faith journey, and living life to the fullest.

We gather on Sunday to worship, teach and equip. We meet throughout the week to build relationships and go deeper with our faith. We serve others (as a church and individually in our neighborhoods and work-places), and we host events that extend the love of Christ to our community.

This month, however, there are a couple of gatherings that should be of particular interest to the entire family of Grace Chapel:

On Communion Sunday, March 7, we'll have the inaugural "First Sunday Feast" immediately following the worship service. The idea is simple – enjoy a family meal together and share our lives with one another. We see the example in the 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 where Christians ate dinner together along with celebrating the Lord's Supper. We may have things a bit out of order (in the early church they ate first and then had communion), but the spirit of the "agape meal" is what we're after.

The second event is Gracie's Diner, our annual fundraiser for the Appalachian Impact mission trip. In addition to great fun in a 50's style restaurant setting, your contributions will help send a team from Grace Chapel to share the gospel of Jesus Christ through word and deed to the poorest of the poor in rural Kentucky.

I hope I'll see you at both events, joining me in fulfilling me the mission of Grace Chapel, and the great commission of Jesus.

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1st Sunday Feast

Sunday, March 7th
Immediately after the service!

Sign up in the foyer so we have an accurate count for food.

Suggested donation:

\$3.00 Adult/\$1.00 Child/\$10.00 Family Maximum

Beginning in March, Grace Chapel will be having a "family" dinner on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Stay and catch up with those you haven't seen in a while, and/or introduce yourself to those you've never met!

Breakaway & Refuge



March 7	Breakaway	6:00 pm @ Grace Chapel
	Refuge	6:00 pm Life Groups Gathered
March 14:	Breakaway	6:00 pm @ Grace Chapel
	Refuge	6:00 pm Girls Life Group @ Folkert home
		6:00 pm Guys Life Group @ Refuge Room
March 21:	Breakaway	6:00 pm @ Grace Chapel
	Refuge	6:00 pm Life Groups Gathered
March 28	Breakaway	6:00 pm @ Grace Chapel
	Refuge	6:00 pm Girls Life Group @ Folkert home
		6:30 pm Guys Life Group @ Refuge Room

Sunday School every Sunday morning in March for both Breakaway & Refuge at 9:30 am.



Coffee/Doubt

No judgment. No dumb questions. Atheists. Theists. Agnostics.
Arguments. Discussions. Listening. Learning. Respect.
Coffee. Tea Caffeine.

7:00 pm at Dimitris in downtown Farmington

(across the street from Starbucks, on Grand River)

Sponsored by Refuge. Questions about this event? See Dan Rose

Grace Chapel Student Ministries exist for the purpose of building students in their faith so that they will walk for a lifetime with Jesus. We are doing this through Breakaway AM and Refuge AM at 9:30 Sunday mornings, Breakaway PM and Refuge LifeGroups on Sunday evenings, and Coffee/Doubt on Thursdays at 7 pm at Dimitris in downtown Farmington.

Parents, your involvement is mission critical. Without you there is little chance for your kids to walk with Jesus for a lifetime. A movement is being built. The question is, will you and your child be a part of it?

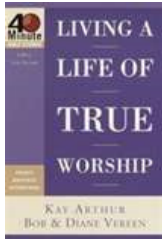
Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday Nights
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm



The Study of Daniel by Beth Moore
“Lives of Integrity - Words of Prophecy”

Classes will be held in the Belmont Clubhouse at Fox Run
Contact Kim Sinclair or Char Schwedland with any questions.



Thursday Night Ladies Bible Study

Thursdays
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

The ladies are starting a new six-week curriculum on March 4th. They meet at Carol Bellenir's home in Farmington Hills. Their next study is entitled, “Living a Life of True Worship.” This is a “no homework” study. Please register your attendance with French Waller so that she can purchase a book for you.

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Ladies Book Club

The next Book Club selection is Shanghai Girls by Lee See. *A pair of Chinese sisters battle their way through the Japanese occupation of Shanghai and on to America.*



The ladies will meet again on Thursday night, March 18th, at 7:00 pm. All women of Grace (high school and up) and their friends are invited to participate.



March Birthdays

Libby Siecinski	March 2	Debbie Baker	March 8
Sarah Brigham	March 3	Paula Grohman	March 11
Char Schwedland	March 3	Jan Ficara	March 16
Amanda Lumley	March 5	Kevin Simonds	March 21
Sue Segerstrom	March 5	Dan Cafolla	March 26
Karol Gee	March 6	Chelsea Dana	March 28
Cheryle Kusch	March 6	Glenn Trevisan	March 30



Men's Fraternity

Tuesdays
6:00 am - 7:30 am

Men of all ages are invited to attend this Bible Study!
The study ends on Tuesday, March 23rd.

Gracie's Diner Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser

Saturday, March 13
5:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 7:30 pm



There will be three seatings! Please sign up in the foyer for the seating that best fits your family...and friends...and neighbors...and coworkers...

There is no fee for the night, but a love offering will be taken.
ALL proceeds go to support this trip.

Breakaway & Refuge will be heading to Appalachia during the week of July 4-July 10.



Daylight Savings Time

Sunday, March 14th

Be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed on Saturday night, March 13th!

Maundy Thursday/Seder Dinner

Thursday, April 1

Specific details to follow. Mark your calendar now so that you are available to join in this evening.



College “Love” Packages

Tuesday, March 30

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Last fall, we sent out over 27 “packages” to the college students of Grace Chapel! These boxes were a huge hit. The students love receiving them, so we’re going to bless them again!

The boxes will be assembled on 3/30, but the collection of donations will start on March 7th. We also need to cover the postage, so donations of \$10.00 per box is needed and appreciated.

Chips/pretzels/cheez-its/goldfish snacks

Cookies

Granola bars

Ramen noodles

Gum/candy/fruit snacks

Anything non-perishable that is individually wrapped will be accepted!

We would also like to make sure there are notes included in the boxes.

Please “adopt” a student and write them a short, encouraging note.

Sign-ups will be in the foyer starting March 7th!

Erin Baxter
Carissa Cangialosi
Matt Dennis
Sarah Gee
April Meyers
Maggie Siecinski
Ryan TenBrink
Stephanie Walker

Melissa Butman
Chelsea Dana
Tim Dennis
Cathryn Ghena
Rachael Morrison
Kevin Simonds
Laura Trevisan
Chris Webber

Stephanie Butman
Andrew Dennis
Thom Douglas
Jenny Johnson
Allie Schmidt
B.G. TenBrink
Ian VanTassel
Helena Wolschon

(please let Karol know if anyone has been overlooked!)



March 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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	8	9	10	11	12	13
	15	16	17	18	19	20
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7 8:45 Prayer 9:30 SS 10:45 Worship (communion) 12:30 1st Sunday Feast 6:00 Breakaway 6:00 Refuge Gathered	9:00 Recess GenEx 7:00 Women's Min. Mtg.	6:00 Men's Fraternity 6:00 Recess CPT 7:15 GO Team Mtg.	9:30 Staff Mtg. 7:00 Ladies Bible Study	9:30 Precept 7:00 Worship Rehearsal 7:00 Ladies Bible Study 7:00 Refuge Coffee/Dbt	8:30 Recess 6:30 Recess Closing Program	8:00 Coffee & Tunes
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