

Morning Service

May 2, 2010

10:45 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Tim Martin

*Call to Worship **Hymn No. 92 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"**

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

Elder Russell Knouff

The Lord's Supper (a Celebration of Redemption)

Offering (in Joy of Redemption)

Songs of Redemption

"O Great God"
"Shine on Us"
"Speak, O Lord"

Children, ages 4 to 6 years, are invited to *Grace Kids*

Jessica Onesty

Message of Redemption

Pastor Martin

"ABIDE IN MY LOVE"

TEXT: John 15:9-16 page 902 in the pew Bible

*Response of the Redeemed **Hymn No. 498 "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"**

*Benediction

**"Doxology" without *Alleluias* (page 731, Trinity Hymnal)

*Standing

Worship lyrics projected under CCLI # 254295.

CDs of the sermon may be ordered by sign-up at the table in the foyer. Because of copyright laws, music cannot be included on the CDs.

Evening Service at 6:00 in Gearhart Hall

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 9

Nursery:

Sunday School: Bobbie Stichter and Abbey Knouff

A.M. – A Cyndi Stevenson and Karen Spitzer

B Meg Walker and Kathryn Martin

P.M. Jessica Onesty

Sound A.M.: Rachel Spitzer

Grace Kids: Jessica Onesty

Raleigh Ct. Health Care Center: Alan Lowe

Ushers

Jim Gruver

Leon DeHart

J.D. Hoback

Page Shepherd

Sound FH: Bob Gordon

Greeters: J.D. and Ellouise Hoback

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Today 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning service
4:00 p.m. Handbell practice
6:00 p.m. Evening service
Mon. 6:00 p.m. Women's 1st Monday Encouragement Group
Tues. 6:45 a.m. Men's Morning Fellowship in the Parlor
6:00 p.m. Women's 1st Tuesday Encouragement Group
7:00 p.m. Scout Troop 289 meets in Gearhart Hall
Wed. 10:00 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study in the Library
Noon Prayer in the Parlor
5:45 p.m. Pizza Dinner - Please sign up on the bulletin tab
6:30 p.m. AWANA, Children's groups and Youth Group
Sat. 9:30 a.m. BRWC *Walk for Life* at River's Edge – see Announcements

LOOKING AHEAD

May 12 AWANA Awards night

May 20 Teacher Appreciation Dinner

May 21-22 Youth Campout at Devil's Marble Yard near Natural Bridge

ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL REPORT FOR APRIL 25, 2010

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| Sunday School | 90 | P.M. service | 83 |
| A.M. Service | 141 | Faith Promise | \$1,787.00 |
| Nursery A.M. | 17 | General Fund | \$4,198.75 |

Capital Campaign

Received last Sun. \$ **0.00**
Total Gifts to Date \$107,039.00

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| <i>Handicap Men's Room</i> | <i>Elevator</i> | <i>Windows (Aud. & FH)</i> |
| Actual Cost \$44,836.20 | Actual Cost \$52,602.20 | Need – Est. \$28,000.00 |
| Given \$44,836.20 | Given \$52,602.20 | Given \$ 9,600.60 |
| Status COMPLETED! | COMPLETED! | Remaining \$18,399.40 |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A NEW MEMBERS CLASS began today during the Sunday School hour. This is a great way to learn more about Grace Church. If you would like to attend, please see Pastor Tim. The class meets in the parlor and continues through May 23.

THE MONTH OF MAY IS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED AS FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH. The Roanoke City Department of Social Services is in need of qualified families to open their hearts and homes to Roanoke valley youth, ages 5 – 17. If you, or someone you know, might be interested, contact Corinne Chandler at 853-2714 or Susie Johnson at 853-2619.



The walk to benefit the BLUE RIDGE WOMEN'S CENTER is next Saturday, May 8, at 9:30 a.m. at River's Edge! It is not too late to register to be a Sponsored Walker! Get all the details in a brochure at the table in the foyer or visit

www.supportblueridge.org. Ella Fenzel will serve as the *Walk for Life* contact person for our congregation!

PRAYER REQUESTS and PRAISES
Our church and missions

- Be in prayer for the Youth/Worship Pastor Search Team as they seek God's direction and guidance as to the man He has for Grace Church.
- Pray for Dr. Sam Williams as he concludes his assignment at the native hospital in Sitka, AK. Praise God for the many opportunities to be an agent of His grace there and for the opportunity to share with the hospital staff next Monday concerning his and Liz's medical mission work. Pray also for all the preparations leading up to mission service with ABWE in Togo, West Africa immediately to follow. Sam will arrive home this Wednesday and leave the following Wednesday (May 12) for Togo.
- Brian Broaddus has requested prayer for his progress in the Japanese language: in memorizing Bible passages and the mastery of 2,000 kanji (*a Japanese system of writing based on modified or borrowed Chinese symbols*), in oral proficiency, and in clear pronunciation!
- Sebastian Edelmann, CEF-Europe, asked that we pray for *"Ivan, Katerina and the children, who will be visiting friends in Germany and presenting the work of CEF in Bulgaria. Pray that the Lord will give them a safe journey and blessed meetings."*

For those with health and other concerns

- Pray for Jeremy Palmer, friend of Liz Williams, who remains unconscious following an accident in California. Jeremy has been able to respond correctly to commands and questions. Pray that he will continue to show improvement.
- Continue to pray for Theo Hodges, Ray and Lenora Holley, Charles Gearhart (in Assisted Living at Brandon Oaks, room 526); Scott White and Millie Couture.

Be in prayer for each of the missionaries or organizations supported by Grace Church:

- Carol Arnold, *Equipping Pastors, Int'l* Florida
- Ken and Kath Ashcroft, *Independent* England
- John and Joanne Austin, *Campus Crusade for Christ* New York
- Bill and Joy Boerop, *World Thrust, International*. Atlanta, Georgia
- Brian and Yoko Broaddus, *Pioneers* Japan
- Les and Kathy Bruce, *Wycliffe Bible Translators*. Dallas, Texas
- Fred and Joyce Burklin, Retired, *Greater Europe Mission* Georgia
- Sebastian Edelmann, *Child Evangelism Fellowship* Ukraine
- Woody Fisher, *Good News Prison Ministry*. Richmond, Virginia
- Dave and Sherry Hall, *The Navigators* Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Baruch Maoz, Grace and Truth Christian Congregation Israel
- Bill and Pam Schweitzer, *Mission to the World*. England
- Keith and Jeannette Shubert, *East Asia School of Theology* Singapore
- David and Diana Stoddard, *The Evangelical Alliance Mission* Guatemala
- Wayne and Valerie Yates, *Wycliffe* Waxhaw, North Carolina
- Child Evangelism Fellowship of Roanoke Valley. Roanoke, Virginia
- Blue Ridge Women's Center. Roanoke, Virginia

Grace Church

Teaching the Word – Reaching the World

Prayer for the Nation
By Franklin Graham – 2010 Honorary Chairman

Lord,

We are thankful for the abundant blessings You have bestowed on America. Our forefathers looked to You as Protector, Provider, and the Promise of hope. But we have wandered far from that firm foundation. May we repent for turning our backs on Your faithfulness.

We pray that this great nation will be restored by Your forgiveness. From bondage, You grant freedom.

Through Your own sacrifice, You offer salvation.

From the state of despair, You offer peace.

From the bounties of Heaven, You have blessed – not because of our goodness – but by Your grace.

You have given us freedom to worship You in spirit and in truth as Your Holy Word instructs. May our lives honor You in word and deed. May our nation acknowledge that all good things come from the Father above.

President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed that our nation should set apart a day for national prayer to confess our sins and transgressions in sorrow: *"...yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon... announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord."*

"We have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our own hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own... we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God who made us! It behooves us then... to confess our national sin, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness."

Help us to pray earnestly for our president and leaders who govern, that they will humble themselves and seek Your guidance so that everything we do will shine the light of Your glory in a darkened world.

May our prayers as a people and a nation be heard and blessed for such a time as this. We make this plea in faith, believing in the mighty Name of Jesus our Lord.

Amen

The National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 6, 2010

May 2, 2010

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