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| |  | | --- | | Grace Notes – April 15, 2016 |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Grace Notes** | | **Gracious Savior Church**  **Sunday Worship - 9:00am**  Worship at corner of Hwy 6 and Lake Creek Ave.  Sunday School at 9:15am – Nursery is lovingly staffed.  Adult Bible Study – 10:30am    Gracious Savior Church is located at 33520 Hwy 6 on the corner of Hwy 6 and Lake Creek Ave. We are just 1 mile west of the Edwards stoplight on Hwy 6.  For more info visit us online at: [www.gracioussavior.org](http://www.gracioussavior.org) | | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | **Pastor’s Note**  Grace Notes – April 14, 2016  I’m writing this edition of Grace Notes the day before the Mission Team leaves for Cuba. But by the time you read this, we will have completed our work and be spending our day off touring Havana. Thank you for keeping the Mission Team in your prayers, but please don’t stop praying for Stacey Jones, Phil Eyrich, Judy Evans, Kelly Karas, Shanny Satterstrom, Nate Hall, Janie Cliver, and myself. Please keep praying for us for another week or so.  Missionaries – even short-term missionaries – sometimes have trouble re-adjusting back in the “real world”. The work is fulfilling, but the days are long and the beds are not very comfortable. The travel is tiring and going through customs in both Cuba and America is not a fun process. Moreover, missionaries can experience feelings of guilt after coming home to the relative excess of America. Members on the team might feel angry at the inequalities they see people undergo in Cuba. It is not uncommon for missionaries to even feel fatigued and depressed for a short period of time. Please keep praying for us for just a little bit longer.  So why even go? Because it’s worth it. Because Jesus calls us to go. Because people need the eternal hope and joy of Jesus. Because Jesus “who for the joy set before Him, endured the cross scorning its shame and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God”. We go (and you send) so that all people might know the joy of Jesus’ presence, grace, and life. As Isaiah writes, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”  Walking on beautiful feet,  Pastor Jason    P.S. If you miss a Sunday and want to catch up in the sermon series or just want to review the message, you can check it out in iTunes at: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/gracious-savior-churchs-podcast/id897614540>  or online at: <http://gracioussaviorchurch.buzzsprout.com/> | |  |  |  | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | **Children’s Ministry**  **Workshop**  The Workshop has started back up. Kids preschool to 5th grade can join us downstairs every Sunday morning during the worship service. Kids, don’t forget your Bibles!  **Service Opportunity**  We have officially adopted Adler Pierre as a Sunday School. Adler is 5 years old. He is from Haiti. He lives with his Mom and likes marbles and soccer. All the money from our donuts go to Adler. If you have thought about adopting a Compassion International child and just couldn’t afford it, this is a great opportunity. We can all pitch in to help Adler. Please pray for Adler and his Mom. | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | **Middle School Confirmation**  We’ll be gathering on Wednesday, April 20th from 6:30-8:00pm. Bring a friend!!  The Rite of Confirmation for our 8th graders will be during the May 1st worship service. | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  | | --- | | **High School Discipleship**  Join us for our new study called Generation Change. It focuses on Money and Christian Discipleship. It’s a very important topic particularly for our Seniors. Come and check it out on Wednesday, April 20th from 6:30-8:00pm. Bring a friend!    **New Women’s Community Group**  We are starting a new study called “The Armor of God” by Priscilla Shrier Tuesdays, at 8:30am at the church. All day, every day, an invisible war rages around you - unseen, unheard, yet felt throughout every aspect of your life. A devoted, devilish enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your relationships, your resilience, your dreams, your destiny. But his battle plan depends on catching you unaware and unarmed. If you're tired of being pushed around and caught with your guard down, this study is for you. The Enemy always fails miserably when he meets a woman dressed for the occasion. The Armor of God, more than merely a biblical description of the believer's inventory, is an action plan for putting it on and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory.  **Germany Trip**  Pastor Jason and Heather are hosting a trip to explore Germany and the Reformation on Sept. 23-Oct. 4, 2016. Pick up a flyer at church for more details.  **Edwards Traffic Survey**  We’ve been asked by the Edwards Metro District to participate in a traffic survey of the area around our congregation. Click on the link to participate: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EDWARDS_METRO_SURVEY> | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Upcoming Events**   * **Sunday Morning Discipleship 101 –** Every Sunday – 10:30am * **Cuba Trip –** April 9-15, 2016 * **Women’s Bible Study** – Tuesday, April 19 – 8:30am * **High School Discipleship –** Wednesday, April 20 – 6:30pm * **Middle School Confirmation –** Wednesday, April 20 – 6:30pm * **Bible Walkers –** Wednesday, April 27 - 6:00pm * **Rite of Confirmation-** Sunday, May 1 – 9:00am * **Germany Trip –** September 23-October 4, 2016 | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Prayer Praises & Requests**   * Pray for our Cuba Mission Team: Shanny Satterstrom, Kelly Karas, Judy Evans, Janie Cliver, Stacey Jones, Phil Eyrich, Nate Hall, and Pastor Jason * Pastor Jason’s two cousins who are going through chemotherapy. One cousin is doing very well and the other has a tough road ahead. * Patricia Todd is recovering well from a badly broken leg. * Mike Monaco had successful knee surgery and is recovering very well. * Max, Marilyn Karn’s brother, struggling with dementia and Parkinson’s disease. * Dan Schaub’s daughter, Heidi, has lymphoma. Prognosis is good. * Woman going through a challenging time. * Sharon Sumner diagnosed with Lou Gehrig’s disease. Pray for promising treatments. | | | | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Serving in God’s House This Sunday**  Elder: Tom Kleinhardt  Ushers: Lana & Jackie  Reader: Tom Kleinhardt  Sunday School: Jan Kleinhardt & JoAnne Graef | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | [http://gracioussavior.org/marketTheme/version19/img/facebook.png](https://facebook.com/) | |