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Grace is the love and mercy given to us by God because God desires us to have it, not necessarily because of anything we have done to earn it. It's an attribute of God that is most evident in the new life given to the soul through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Many people have a hard time fully embracing the unique and unparalleled message of the gospel in Jesus Christ. It's hard to believe that because of God's love and grace toward us, we can have eternal life and all sorts of blessings today through no effort or merit of our own. That seems too amazing to be true.

Truthfully, we've all experienced failures, bitterness, or setbacks. We carry unseen burdens that rob us of joy, keep us from praying, and even cause us to doubt God. Fortunately, God's grace is greater. Even when it doesn't make sense. Even when it doesn't feel fair. God's grace covers everything we've done. And the best way (perhaps the only real way) to understand it, is to experience it and then invite others to experience it as well.

During Lent, a 40-day season designed to deepen one's devotional approach to Easter, we will focus on God's amazing gift of *grace*...the relationship between grace and works, why grace doesn't mean you should keep sinning, how grace should impact your purpose in life, and how to live a life filled with grace.

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us. If you are new, please feel free to ask questions, be yourself, get connected, and let us know if there is anything we can do to make your experience most memorable.

First United Methodist Church

CALLING ALL YOUTH & FAMILIES!

All youth and families who wish to participate in the Spring Break Mission Focus need to register as soon as possible. Early registration will help us find enough projects for our time together. You can go to firstmethodistyouth.com/springbreak to register. There are opportunities to work in groups with other youth, or to work on projects as a family (to limit contact with others). Please join us as we serve our community in the name of Jesus Christ.

NEED HELP?

The youth are looking for mission projects. We know that some of our families and neighbors may be facing extraordinary damage after last week's storms. If you need help, please email Pastor Chris Rickwartz at crickwartz@sharigtheheart.org. We can do clean up, demolition, painting, and simple construction. If you need (or know of a need) that is outside our skill set, we will do our best to connect you to people who can help.



2021 SPRING BREAK MISSION FOCUS

NEAR, FAR, WHEREVER YOU ARE
MARCH 6-9

THE YOUTH WANT TO

EASTER
EGG YOUR HOUSE!

VISIT THE LENT PAGE
FOR MORE INFO!



Lent Gift Bags

Individual bags for your entire family or to share
with friends or neighbors.

AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE TO PICK UP!

Each gift bag includes an olive wood
holding cross, bookmark with the
Lord's prayer, a paper hand
labyrinth, and a blessing card.

EMAIL MS. JANE AT
JMILLS@SHARINGTHEHEART.ORG
OR CALL 214-592-8915
Children must turn 2 by 9/1/21

A graphic of a green chalkboard with a wooden frame. On the left side of the board is a hand-drawn pink heart. The text "HOPE School" is written in white chalk at the top, followed by "2021-2022" and "registration is now open!" in a cursive script. At the bottom right of the board, there is a small illustration of a chalk tray with a piece of chalk and a yellow eraser.

KEEP IN TOUCH

For the latest news and events, view or subscribe to the weekly church email newsletter, "The Echo," at SharingtheHeart.org/Newsletter.



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Standard text messaging rates may apply

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PRAYER REQUESTS



IN OUR PRAYERS

- † The Family of Norman Dotson
- Bianca Lima
- Caitlin Coleman and family
- Celia Simpson Bragg
- Charlotte Boring Womack
- David Franck
- Elaine Parent
- Erika Bazan
- Floyd
- Gaither Day
- Holly
- Jerry Harbert
- Jon Day
- Judy Cox
- Judy Gay
- Kathy Parker
- Holly Fitzgerald
- Lee Tipoff
- Lorraine Brown
- Mark Kinney
- Marion Morgan
- Marti Kale
- Mary Purtle
- Melissa Elementary School community
- Pat Anderson
- Paul Ballesteros
- Ron Wiese
- Savanna Bragg
- Sherry Kirwin
- Skylar Hicks
- Stephanie Kircher
- Tina Cristino
- Wanda Hunter
- Zach Williams
- Rev. David and Cindy Ceballos, Missionaries in Panama
- Chad & Nancy Bradley, Missionaries in Ethiopia
- All our members in care facilities
- Everyone affected by the weather, power outage, water issues
- Everyone affected by the Coronavirus
- Families experiencing job loss
- Those experiencing homelessness
- McKinney Warming station, the homeless, volunteers
- Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti
- Melissa United Methodist Church
- Caldwell Elementary School
- Military service members including: Capt Scott Adler, Capt Libby Adler, Sofia Lerma Alarcon, 1st Lt Joe Beeby, Marc Belo, CPL Matthew Broker, CTI2 Abigail Burns, CPT Aaron Bush, CPL Bradley Bush, AFC Drew Causey, 2nd Lt Vincent Chavez, Capt Ryan Clark, PFC Paul Confalone, Sgt Martin Damian DeLeon, GY Sgt Jim Ellsworth, Kevin English, Patrick English, James Evans, Lt Col David Faulk, PFC Cody Furstenberg, Charlie Gilbert, LC CPL Robert Gray, ETN2 Cory Halberstadt, CPT Josh Hewett, Pvt John Wesley Holder Jr., LT Mark Jbeily, Lt Col Jim Johnston, Ryan Kidd, Avery Montana Krast, Lt Ryan Lubin, Alec Mack, Lt Logan McQuerry, Maj. Richard Milam, Chap MAJ Tim Shepherd, Maj Chuck Miller, AFC Kevin G. Persons, Jr., MSGT, SFC Tyler Renshaw, 2nd Lt. Austin Rine, Bobby Sanders, SR4 Nick Schofield, Colby Seamster II, Jonathan Spiegel, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Specialist Zach Vernier, CPL Mike Wilkes, Jose Almaguer, SPC Blake Robertson, Capt John Martin, Msg Brian Franck.