Wellspring CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP



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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.

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Schedule information can be found at www.sharingtheheart.org/easter Printed schedules are available at the office!

We'd like to hear who's coming!

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.



We're collecting new washcloths for Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti. You can drop them off on Palm Sunday at the outdoor services.





Bible Studies, Small Groups, and Sunday School classes can meet in person during the week! We can help with blended Zoom/inperson classes. Let us know!

sign up on the classes + groups page

www.sharingtheheart.org/ministries/classes-small-groups



Camp Anakainoo 2021

This summer, all youth who have finished the 6th-12th grades are invited to our summer church camp. That's right, Camp Anakainoo is back!

More information will be coming, but for now, Save the Date: June 28-July 1

We are going to the Prothro Center on Lake Texoma, and we are going to have a blast! You don't want to miss it!

Sermon: Grief & Grace Scripture: John 11:17-45

Sermon Notes

- 1. Read John 11:1-45. Consider the following questions from the point of view of Mary, Martha, and Jesus. What were their actions and what might have they been thinking and feeling?
- 2. What was the person's response to Lazarus being sick?
- 3. What was the person's response to Lazarus dying?
- 4. What was the person's response when at the tomb of Lazarus?
- 5. What was the person's response when Lazarus came out of the tomb?
- 6. What is your response to situations when you feel/think Jesus showed up too late?
- 7. What is your response to grief?
- 8. What can you learn from Jesus in this story when it comes to finding hope in the midst of grief?
- 9. Spend time in prayer.



"Like" our Facebook page and be sure to check-in online! For every new "like" and "check-in" we receive, we will provide three meals to hungry kids!

That's right! Your simple check-in helps spread the word about Wellspring and feeds kids. This is a simple click of the button that can have a big impact. Scan the QR code with your smart phone camera to be taken to our Facebook page.

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PRAYER REQUESTS



IN OUR PRAYERS

† Brianna Clancey and family on the loss of her grandmother Allison

† Amy Smith and family on the loss of her sister Ann Witt Hammer

- Allison and Adam Fotos and family
- Caitlin Coleman and family
- Celia Simpson Bragg
- Charlotte Boring Womack
- David Franck
- David Johnson •
- Diane Waggoner and family ٠
- 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
- Mike Quinn
- Pat Anderson
- Savanna Bragg
- Sherry Kirwin
- Skvlar Hicks
- Stephanie Kircher
- Steve Parry

- 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 Spiegal, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Specialist Zach Vernier, CPL Mike Wilkes, Jose Almaguer, SPC Blake Robertson, Capt John Martin, Msg Brian Franck.