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JUNE 18, 2017

WELCOME TO GRACE UNION

WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY
SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2017

- ➔ Praise & Worship
- ➔ Welcome/Announcements
- ➔ Offering
- ➔ THE DADLYMPICS
- ➔ Message: Pastor Bob Poley



Thank you for joining us today. We're glad you're here. If this is your first time with us, please visit the Welcome table in the front lobby. We have a gift for you and would like to meet you.

NEWS & EVENTS

ELEMENTARY KIDS CAMP

Let's keep our GU Kids in our prayers this week for protection, that they would grow closer to Jesus, and have a great week at camp!

There are a few things you need to know:

- Please be at GU by **8:30 a.m. tomorrow**. Departure will be **9 a.m.**, and we will return Friday the 23rd around 2 p.m.
- Boys and Girls 3rd-6th grade are **TAN** this year.
- **PLEASE PICK UP A CONTACT & PACKING LIST** from the Elementary Check-in area!



Please stay with us after service next Sunday to celebrate with those are taking this step of faith with water baptism! If you would like to be baptized, or have any questions about it, please see Pastor Bob or Jason today.

THE GOD QUESTIONS

Next Sunday we begin our new series, "The God Questions!" This is the perfect opportunity to invite your friends, family, neighbors and coworkers to join you and grow deeper in their faith, or perhaps encounter God for the first time. This series will also help equip you to help others with their questions!

If you are interested in leading a small group at church, or your own home, where friends and neighbors would feel more comfortable discussing their God Questions, Pastor Jason is conducting a training session **THIS WEDNESDAY AT 6:30 P.M. IN CONFERENCE ROOM A.**



We'll be celebrating Independence Day with a BBQ right after service Sunday, July 2nd on the new lawn!

There will be a family kickball game, bounce house, face painting, and more. GU will provide hamburgers and hot dogs, and we'll have a potluck for sides, desserts & drinks. **Please see Shay Brewer after service today to sign up with what you can bring, or you can contact her at shaybplus3@yahoo.com.**

We will have chairs, and you are welcome to bring picnic blankets. There will not be a lot of shade from the trees or building, so **WE ARE IN NEED OF POP-UP PAVILIONS** to provide shade throughout the day. If you can bring one, we would appreciate it. You can let Karen know, or email her at karenmomma@live.com.



OUR MISSION

We are helping people to live in union with Christ by grace.

- Union with God through a relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Union with Others through investing in people through Biblical community.
- Union with Ourselves with a wholeness found in a new identity in Christ.
- Union with our Broken World by being an agent of change in our society by caring for and serving those who are poor, oppressed or marginalized.

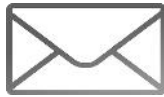
We value sharing the love, life and power of God to our communities and world, joining Christ in his mission to rescue fallen humanity.

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For any special needs, please email our Prayer Team at gucprayer@gmail.com.

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Story of Team Hoyt.

Rick's parents were able to see a future reality for their son nobody else could see; and they were able to call that reality forward and help walk their son into it!

1 Corinthians 11:1 makes a powerful statement, "Follow my example as I follow the example of Christ."

As Paul said those words, he was calling something great out of those following him.

- This people who began their story as a picture of spiritual degradation, finished their story as a living picture of the grace and transformation of God... **because they had a Spiritual Father!**

Question: What does Spiritual Fatherhood consist of?

Prophet – Protector – Priest

A. The Prophet:

- Spiritual fathers tune their binoculars to look down the road imagining all that God might do in and through their kids.
- Dads, your God-given privilege is to look at your kids, and visualize what the win will look like for the stage of life they are in, and speak it into reality.
 - Dads, your role as the Prophet is to define the win for them.

B. The Protector:

- Men, there is a strength, a courage, and a readiness for action that God has given spiritual fathers.
- The Protector Role is very closely linked to the Prophet.
- Men, you are the defenders of the vision God has given for your family.

- As a gardener you weed out the things that try to grow up and choke the future.
- Once things are allowed to root there is a cost to removing them.
- Spiritual Fathers protect those in their care from the things that would try to take root that don't match the vision of life they have for their family.

C. The Priest:

- Dads, you should be the first glimpse of Jesus your kids see.
- If your kids have the opportunity to see Jesus lived out in you first, they will be empowered to go further for God than they could ever go on their own.
- Your kids will be attracted to Jesus and begin to relate to him as they see him in you.
 - You will help them to go from knowing God through you, to knowing him for themselves.

John 4:42

They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world."

Spiritual Fathers, by being the Prophets, the Protectors, and the Priests that God has Privileged you to be, you will enable those who come behind you to overcome obstacles and take the Cause of Christ further than you or I could ever take it.

Thank you for leaning into all the different roles of Spiritual Fatherhood God has privileged you with.

NOTES

Thank you for joining us today. This, and all of our message recordings, can be found on our website, graceunionstl.org.

THIS WEEK

Visit us online for information about these events and more.
graceunionsil.org or facebook.com/graceunionsil

MONDAY (6/19)

GU Kids to Camp - 9 am

Alcoholics Anonymous (GU Family Room) - 7 pm
(Led by Jeff Hall - 314.620.6635)

TUESDAY (6/20)

WEDNESDAY (6/21)

Drive-By Prayer (Main Auditorium) - 4-7 pm

GU Students (Youth Auditorium) - 6:30 pm

Small Group Training (Conf. Room A) - 6:30 pm

THURSDAY (6/22)

FRIDAY (6/23)

SATURDAY (6/24)

SUNDAY (6/25)

GOD QUESTIONS SERIES BEGINS!

GU Small Groups

M&M Village Women's Group (Conf. Room B) - 9 am

Men Alive in Christ (Conf. Room C) - 9 am

Adults/Students Service (Main Aud.) - 10 am

GU Kids (Early Childhood-Elementary) - 10 am

WATER BAPTISMS

SAVE THE DATES

7/2 - Church BBQ

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