

Welcome
to



GraceUnion
CHURCH

Encountering Grace through Jesus, right where we are.
Being moved by Grace toward all God has for us.

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WELCOME TO GRACE UNION

Thank you for joining us today! If this is your first time with us, please stop by the Connect Center in the lobby for a free gift. We'd love to meet you.

GU SPOTLIGHT

Find out more about these events at graceunionstl.org.



We had a great first Wednesday Night Experience last week! As we seek to **Pray**, Pursue and Party as a body, this is an opportunity for greater community, to connect with God and each other through interactive worship and prayer, and to hear other's testimonies. We hope to see you Wednesday at 6:30!

REMINDER: Safety Enhancements for GU Kids

Next Sunday we'll begin implementing safety changes for our kids' area.s. We want ensure the safest environment possible while your precious children are in our care. Look for more information at the Kids Check-in Area! If you have questions, please see Crystal Myers, or email her at crystaldawnmyers@gmail.com.

GU Healthcare Team

Grace Union has many members in the healthcare field that will be serving the church with their expertise. Mindy Adams is leading this group. Anyone in the medical or first responder fields is welcome to attend the monthly meetings where the team can collaborate and fellowship. The first meeting is next Sunday, after church, in Conf. Room B. Contact Mindy at mindyadams82@gmail.com.

GU Hospitality Team

We have some events coming soon that we'd love to get more people involved with! The Hospitality Team serves in set-up, tear-down, food service, and more. Please contact Karen at karenmomma@live.com to be a part of the team!

GRACE UNION'S
10TH ANNUAL
TRIVIA NIGHT ?
SAVE THE DATE
Friday, March 2

**water
BAPTISM**
2.11.18
Contact Pastor Bob at bobpoley78@gmail.com

WAYS TO CONNECT



SUNDAYS @ 10AM
WEDNESDAYS @ 6:30PM
Nursery—Elementary



PRAYER NEEDS
Email: gucprayer@gmail.com



SUNDAYS (Middle School) @ 10:15
WEDNESDAYS (Gr 6-12) @ 6:30PM



SUNDAYS @ 9AM
Women's Group (Conf. Room B)
Men's Group (Conf. Room A)

WEDNESDAY
NIGHT
EXPERIENCE
6:30PM

CONNECTION CARD

If you're new to GU, want prayer, or need to update your info, fill out a Connection Card, and put it in the Offering or the Giving Box in the lobby.

STAY CONNECTED



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WAYS TO GIVE



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PRAYPURSUEPARTY



SAVE THE DATES



1/29	Food Addicts Anonymous
1/31	Wednesday Night Experience
1/31	Awana Wednesdays (PreK-Elementary)
2/1	Conquer Series
2/11	Water Baptisms
2/9,16	Regional House Parties
2/16	Preschool Party (NEW)
2/18	GU Students Ice Skating
2/25	Church Vision & Business Meeting
3/2	10th Annual Trivia Night
3/10	Youth Fine Arts Festival

GU WORSHIP TEAM - Drummers Needed

The Worship Team is looking for drummers! If you want to serve GU with your talent and have a heart for worship, let us know! You can see Carrie Indelicato today, or email her at cindelicato@live.com.



The Conquer Series is a powerful, cinematic study that is transforming the lives of men around the world. **Dave Allen is leading this group that meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.** It is an empowering and educational look at the affects of the porn industry on our lives and the lives of our loved ones. Call or text Dave for more information at **314.620.3104**. Also see www.conquerseries.com to find out more about the series.

OUR STAFF IS HERE TO SERVE YOU

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REDEEM THE TIME: *Knowing God's Will*

Ephesians 5:15-17

Be very careful then how you live, not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish but understand what the Lords will is.

I. Point: God has a plan for you, but its fulfillment is not automatic.

Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Ephesians 2:10

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

- A. The fulfillment of God's will requires active participation from us.
- B. Don't be intimidated by idea the "will of God."
 - The fulfillment of God's will is more about direction than it is about destination.

II. Point: God wants you to be Guided toward fulfillment of his will rather than driven.

Psalms 32:8-9

- 8 The Lord says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you.
- 9 Do not be like a senseless horse or mule that needs a bit and bridle to keep it under control."
 - A. Whether you take his direction or not, God is committed to partnership with you. So if you don't take guidance, he will drive you.
 - B. As we resist or ignore God's attempts to guide and direct us toward his will, we open ourselves to the discomfort of being driven.

III. Question: How do we come to know God's will for us? God's will for us is 90% General Revelation and 10% Special Revelation.

- A. **General revelation** is truth revealed from God to a general audience. It is as accurate and applicable to one as it is another.
- B. **Special Revelation** is truth from God reveal specifically to you.
- C. Knowing and doing the will of God always starts with knowing and living according to his General Revelation and General Will first.

Romans 12:2

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

- D. Eventually our minds are so shaped by God's General will that they begin to think in the ways he thinks.
 - As that process continues it makes us capable of Seeing and Deciphering the Special Revelation of God for us.

Living out God's Specific plan for your life is spiritually invigorating and life giving.