

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 it's 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 News & Events



It's time for our annual Labor Day picnic! You're invited to stay with us after service for an afternoon of food, live music and games on the lawn!

STRAIGHT OUTTA BETHLEHEM - Christmas Play

PARENTS AND STUDENTS grades 1st-12th! We are beginning work on our annual Christmas Play. This year we have opened up the play to students through high school. Anyone interested in the play should come to the **viewing party Sunday, September 9th**. We will view the play immediately following service, in the main auditorium.

The viewing party is for students interested in being in the play, as well as students and adults who are interested in helping! If your child is interested, but won't be at church 9/9, parents can still get information in the Elementary area. **Practice will begin Sunday, 9/16**. Practice will take place in the main Auditorium. Some parts will need to be at practice every Sunday. The choir will practice every other Sunday. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mindy Adams at mindyadams82@gmail.com or Karen Poley at karenmomma@live.com.

DESIGNED FOR LIFE WOMEN'S RETREAT

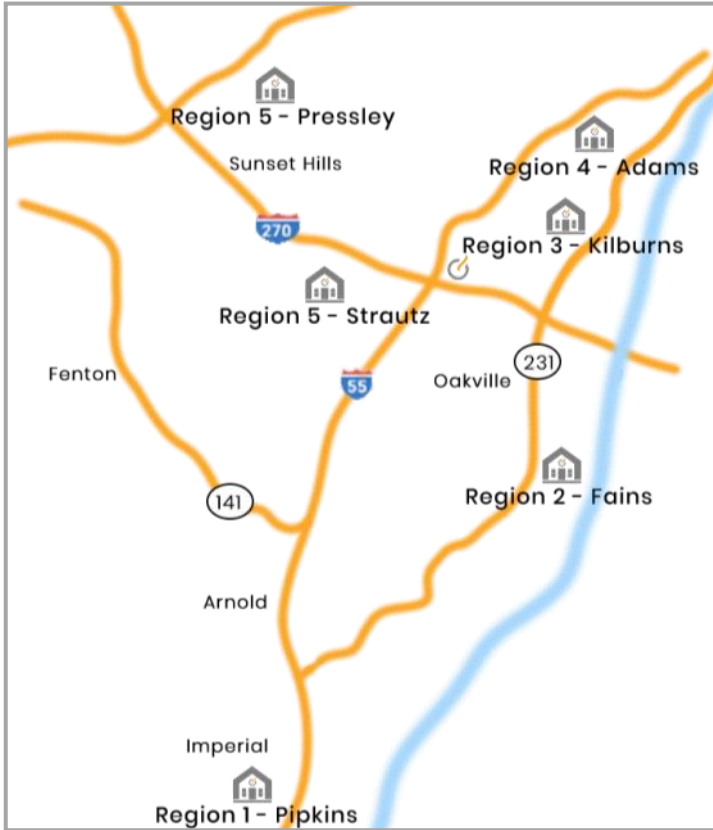
The women's retreat this year is October 11-13 at JQH Arena in Springfield. **The final days to register are Sunday, September 23rd and 30th!** The cost is \$265 and covers the conference and hotel stay. Payment and registration must be made in person. Contact Carrie (lcclifton@aol.com) or Karen (karenmomma@live.com) for more information.



REGIONAL PARTIES



Get to know your GU neighbors with our Regional House Parties! See the map and schedule below to find your Region and Host. Bring a snack to share if able. If not, that's ok. Don't let that stop you from coming! Parties begin at 6:30 p.m.



Hosts	Address	Dates
Ricky & Kelly Pipkins (Region 1)	1534 Mammoth Ln., Imperial 63052	September 14
Bill & Karen Fain (Region 2)	6299 Whisper Bend Dr., St. Louis 63129	October 26
Glenn & Mindy Adams (Region 4)	826 Zeiss Ave., St. Louis 63125	October 12
Matt & Rose Pressley (Region 5)	10212 Richview Dr., St. Louis 63127	September 7
Jon & Beth Strautz (Region 5)	4930 Brockwood Dr., St. Louis 63128	November 2

Mission From God Part 2: Vocation or Toil

- I. Our work was intended to take hold of something Eternal, and bring it into being in this physical world.**

Genesis 1:26

Let us make man-kind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals and over all the creatures that move along the ground so God created man-kind in his own image, in the image of God he created them male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, be fruitful and increase in number, fill the earth, and subdue it.

- II. When we work in response to God's Image, we enter Vocation.**

- A. Vocation is a sense of Calling to work in service to someone or some cause.
- B. Sometimes we are gripped by a vision, and sometimes we have get a vision in order to possess a sense of Vocation.

- III. There are Vocation pitfalls that reduce our efforts to Toil.**

- A. Pointless labor.
- The difference was made by the mental work necessary to connect his efforts to the Purpose.
- B. Pride.
- Tower of Babel is a haunting example.
 - "We will make a name for ourselves."
 - People were trying to establish their own glory rather than reflect the Glory of God.
- C. Vocation is an effort to draw bits of the eternal into the here and now.

- IV. What does it look like to Reflect God's Glory in Work?**

- A. There are 3 ministries that we can function in as we reflect God's Glory in our work:
- Ministry of Beauty.
 - Ministry of Competence.
 - Ministry of Justice.

- B. It honors God when the world is beautiful.
- C. Whether you are teaching, flying, driving a trash truck, or handling customer accounts; when you present Competent work you Reflect the Glory of God.
- D. The work of our hands is such a powerful opportunity to make this world reflect the character of God.

Every day you get to paint a leaf just like Niggle.

2018 PRAYPURSUEPARTY

SEPTEMBER

2	Labor Day BBQ
9	Healthcare Team Meeting
15	Men's Breakfast
19	Fall Wednesday Night Experience
23	Ladies Retreat Registration
28	Family Movie Night
30	Child Dedication
30	Ladies Retreat Registration
10, 17, 24	Food Addicts Anonymous

OCTOBER

7	Healthcare Team Meeting
11-13	Ladies Retreat
14	Water Baptisms
21	OCC Kick-off
1, 8, 15, 22	Food Addicts Anonymous
27	TRUNK OR TREAT

* See graceunionstl.org or [Facebook.com/graceunionstl](https://www.facebook.com/graceunionstl) for details about these and other GU Events! *

WAYS TO CONNECT



SUNDAYS @ 10AM
Nursery—Elementary



PRAYER NEEDS
Email: gucprayer@gmail.com



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



SUNDAYS
Adults Group @ 9am
Afternoon Home Groups
Wednesdays @ 6:30pm

WAYS TO GIVE



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