

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

### WATER BAPTISM - TODAY

Please stay with us after service today to witness and celebrate with those taking this step of faith!

### MOVIE NIGHT - CANCELED

Due to the weather forecast the movie night scheduled for tonight is canceled.

### BOOK DISCUSSION - 6/5

Pastor Bob is leading a discussion group for the C.S. Lewis book *The Great Divorce* Wednesday, June 5th at 6:30pm. You can pick up a copy in the lobby today for \$15. Begin reading right away and come ready to discuss. \*This is a one time meeting.



If you would like to find out more about GU or are interested in becoming a member, please stay with us after service Sunday, June 9th.



**YOUTH CAMP** registration for Middle-High schoolers is open! Camp is June 10-14, and registration is \$185. See Caleb McFarland today, or you can contact him at [macc0027@gmail.com](mailto:macc0027@gmail.com). You can find out more about the Southern Missouri Youth camp at [smymonline.org/youthcamp](http://smymonline.org/youthcamp).



**It's KIDS CAMP time!!** Your kids will have a blast and grow closer to God through an amazing variety of fun activities and ministry opportunities. Registration is open, and the cost is \$260. You can pay \$100 to Grace Union now with balance due June 3rd. *Scholarships available.* **Contact Lisa Spindler at [spindlers@gmail.com](mailto:spindlers@gmail.com) for more info. Details are also on our FB page and website.**



**Celebrate with us on Father's Day!** We'll have the annual DADLYMPICS and a great service together.

# REGIONAL PARTIES



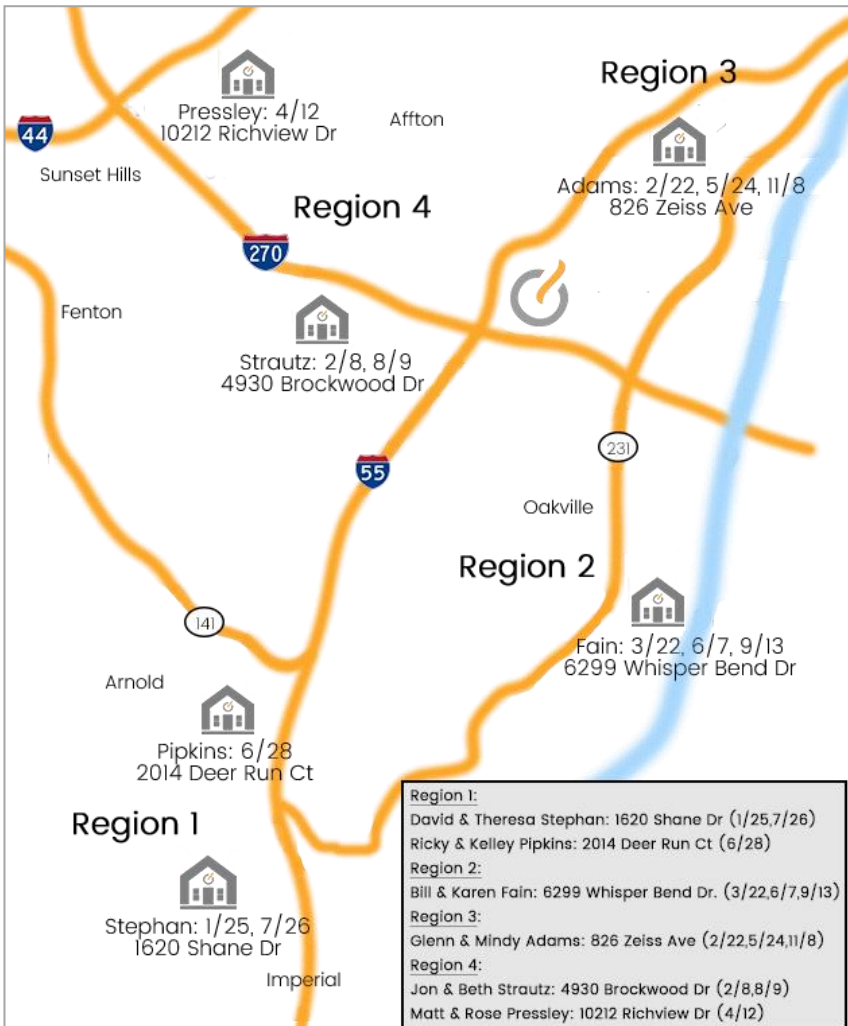
Get to know your GU neighbors with our Regional House Parties! See the map and schedule below to find your Region, host addresses and 2019 dates. Parties begin at 6:30 p.m. Bring a snack to share if able. If not, that's ok. Don't let that stop you from coming!

## UPCOMING PARTIES:

**Jun 7:** Region 2 - Bill & Karen Fain

**Jun 28:** Region 1 - Ricky & Kelley Pipkins

**July 26:** Region 1 - David & Theresa Stephan



## Come and Become Part 4: Yeah, But

In Jesus's day people were also worried about how they rated. In the same way we fixate on Hotness they fixated on Religious Morality.

*Matthew 5:17-20*

- 17 Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.
- 18 For truly I tell you until Heaven and Earth disappear, not the smallest letter not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished.
- 19 Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others to do accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the Kingdom of heaven.
- 20 For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

### I. Question 1: What does it mean that Jesus came not to Abolish the Law and Prophets but to Fulfill them?

- A. What is the Law and Prophets? Old Covenant (Genesis- Malachi)
  - **Abolish:** to dissolve, to destroy; to overthrow; to annul; to subvert; to halt on a journey
  - **Fulfill:** to complete; to fill to the top: so that nothing shall be wanting; fill to the brim; to carry through to the end
- B. Jesus was the fulfillment of everything the Old Testament called Israel to be.
- C. Now, Jesus establishes the new standard of what God is calling all Humanity to be.
  - Hebrews 8:13    - Romans 7:6    - Romans 10:4
  - 1 John 5:2        - Galatians 3:24

### II. Question 2: How can our Righteousness exceed that of the Religious Hotties of Jesus' day?

- A. **Righteousness:** state of him who is as he ought to be; correctness of thinking feeling, and acting
- B. Why is Jesus calling them pretty painted tombs?
  - They looked good on the outside, but inside they were grotesque.

- C. These people had found ways to arrange their actions to look like they really loved God. But in fact they really Loved Themselves.

**III. The central point of God revealing himself to Humanity: We would learn to understand God's desires; and conform ourselves to them.**

- A. The Pharisees had learned to understand God's desires but then conformed the desires accommodate themselves.
- B. Rather than being confronted and shaped by Jesus' commands, we are tempted to shape our understanding of his expectation around what we do.

**IV. We can be honest about the places where God's Law confronts us, because our Righteousness no longer depends on our ability to follow the law.**

*Romans 8:1* - there is NO CONDEMNATION for those who are in Christ.

- A. What you do flows from your Heart. It comes from who you are inside.
- Jesus has a solution for that as well.

*Ezekiel 11:19-20*

- 19 I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh.
- 20 Then they will follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. They will be my people, and I will be their God.

*2Corinthians 5:17* says that "if anyone is in Christ there is a New Creation, the old has gone and everything has become new"

- B. When we come to Jesus with Repentance and Faith to Follow him, he does in us what we cannot do ourselves.
- He puts a new heart in you.
  - There is a new creation that takes place in you.
  - Then new actions will flow from a New Heart with New Desires.

# 2019

## PRAY PURSUE PARTY

### JUNE

- 2 Healthcare Team Meeting
- 5 *The Great Divorce* Discussion
- 7 Regional House Party (Fain)
- 9 Membership Meeting
- 10 Youth Camp Week
- 16 Father's Day
- 17 Kids Camp Week
- 22 Men's Breakfast (Golden Corral)
- 26 Wednesday Night Experience
- 3,7,10,24 Food Addicts Anonymous

### JULY

- 7 Healthcare Team Meeting
- 14 GUSTudents Event/Friend Day
- 25 Men's Dinner
- 26 Regional House Party (Stephan)
- 1,8,15,22,29 Food Addicts Anonymous

\* See [graceunionstl.org](http://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](mailto:gucprayer@gmail.com)



**SUNDAYS**  
Adults Group @ 9am



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

## WAYS TO GIVE



**ENVELOPE**  
*Offering/Giving Box*



**TEXT TO GIVE**  
314.888.5188  
*Tithe-Missions-Hub*



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