

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



EVERYONE IS INVITED to celebrate Pastor Jason's 40th Birthday **TODAY**, right after service in the Family Room.



Fear. Rejection. Addiction. Anger. Comfort...Must Fall. These adversaries establish a foothold, holding us back from the freedom that Jesus intends for us. This message series and small group study is helping us learn how to break out of these patterns once and for all! Study guides are available for purchase in the lobby.

**** Children (Nursery-Elementary) and Youth ministries are Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.**

MEN'S DINNER - July 25 | 6:30 p.m.

All men are invited out for dinner at Concord Grill on Thursday, July 25th. Come out and enjoy good food and fellowship with other GUC men and guests. Contact Dale Dean with any questions at daleandkirstie@att.net.

CPR TRAINING - July 27 | 9a-12p | Cost \$40

GU will be hosting a CPR Certification training that will include adult, child & infant CPR and first aid. Minimum age 12 to attend. You can sign up in the lobby today, and contact Mindy Adams with questions at mindyadams82@gmail.com. **There is one spot available. There will be another training in August.**

GU Students City Museum - Aug 4 | Cost \$15

All Middle-High School students and friends are invited to a day at City Museum. Cost due by July 28th is \$15 and includes lunch. Sign up with Pastor Josh!

REGIONAL PARTIES



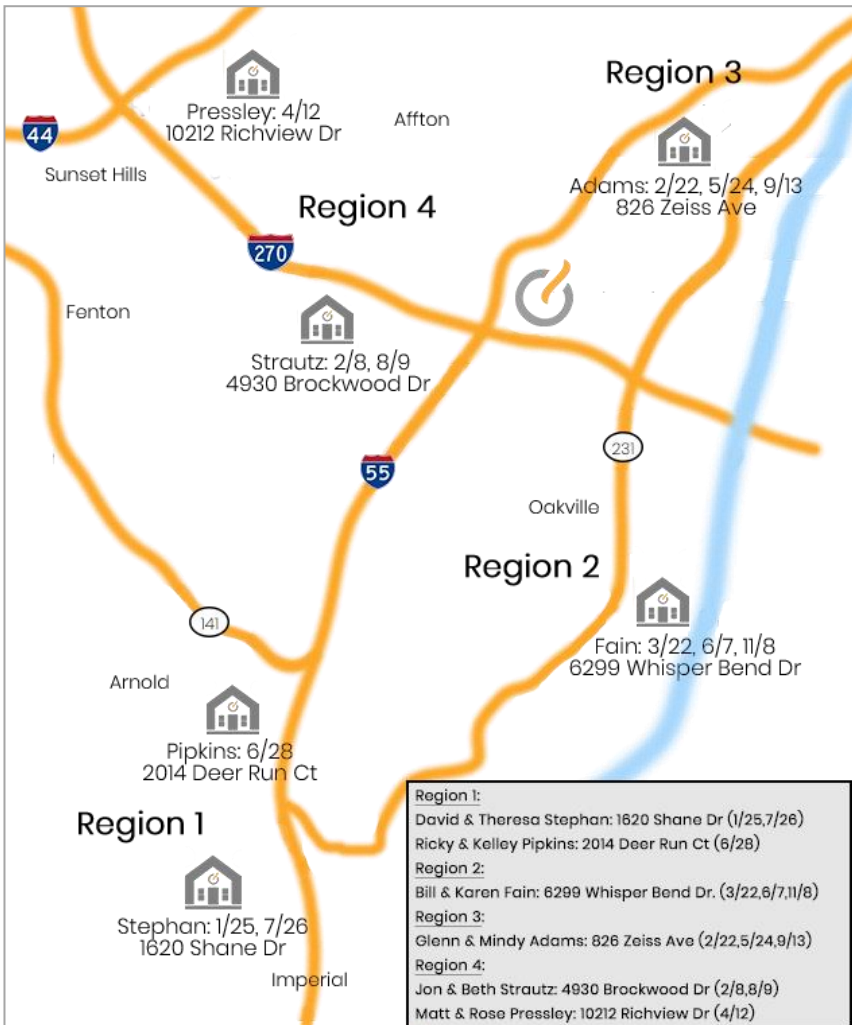
Get to know your GU neighbors with our Regional House Parties! See the map and schedule below to find your Region, host addresses and 2019 dates. Parties begin at 6:30 p.m. Bring a snack to share if able. If not, that's ok. Don't let that stop you from coming!

UPCOMING PARTIES:

July 26: Region 1 - David & Theresa Stephan

Aug 9: Region 4 - Jon & Beth Strautz

Sep 13: Region 3 - Glenn & Mindy Adams



Goliath

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JUN 23–AUG 1
SMALL GROUP SCHEDULE

DAY/TIME

LOCATION

CONTACT

Sundays @9am

GU Church
Ministry Hub

Bill & Karen Fain
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Sundays after church

Pipkins Home
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Arnold, MO 63010

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314-686-8626 (Ricky)

Sundays @6pm

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Jon & Beth Strautz
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314-761-7472 (Beth)

Wednesdays @6:30pm

GU Church
Ministry Hub

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Thursdays @6:30pm

Cox Home
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Herculaneum, MO 63048

Shane & Jennifer Cox
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Goliath Must Fall (Part 5): Future vs. Past

1 Samuel 17:25-27

David hears the insults, sees the reaction of the soldiers, and turns to the men around him and asks: “**What will be done for the man who kills this Philistine and removes this disgrace from Israel?**”

I. David responded to Goliath differently because he chose to live with the Future in Focus.

- A. Often, remaining under the heel of OUR Giant stems from a choice for THE PRESENT MOMENT AT THE EXPENSE OF THE FUTURE.
- B. When we choose the future at the expense of the present it creates a feeling of tension that we must learn to manage in the now.
 - Choosing the present over the future alleviates tension now but means pain later.
- C. Discipline in the present results in freedom and blessing in the future, but indulgence in the present often equals pain and restraints in the future.

II. Living for the Future requires us to Resolve what is in the past.

Romans 8:1

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus

- A. When we place our trust in Jesus, making him boss in our lives, these two things become what is true about us:
 - 1. Our guilt and condemnation are hung on Jesus and punished in his death on the cross.
 - 2. Jesus' goodness is hung on our life and now we experience the blessing and reward associated with that level of goodness.
- B. So no matter what terrible or embarrassing things were in our story THERE IS NO CONDEMNATION from God for us.

III. Resolving Condemnation allows us to Remove ourselves from the Past and Focus our hearts on the Future.

Philippians 3:12-14

- 12 not that I have already obtained all this or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.
- 13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,
- 14 I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.
 - A. After all these years Paul was still discovering and battling Giants in his life.
 - B. Here is what Paul is trying to teach us using his own example:
 1. God has a plan for your life.
 2. Some of what is currently in your life works against that plan.
 3. When you discover it: Repent of it, Allow God's Grace to Cover it, freeing you from Condemnation.
 4. Then Forget it, and Refocus your movement toward what God does have planned for you.
 - C. Victory is found in Living Toward the Hope of the Future rather than in the Shame of the Past.

2019 PRAYPURSUEPARTY

JULY

21 PASTOR JASON BDAY CELEBRATION
 25 Men's Dinner (Concord Grill)
 26 Regional House Party (Stephan)
 27 CPR Training
 15,22,29 Food Addicts Anonymous

AUGUST

4 Healthcare Team Meeting
 4 GUSTudents City Museum
 9 Regional House Party (Strautz)
 18 Who We Are Lunch
 23 Leadership Appreciation Night
 24 Men's Breakfast (Golden Corral)
 25 Water Baptisms
 5,12,19,26 Food Addicts Anonymous

SEPTEMBER

1 LABOR DAY BBQ

* 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
WEDNESDAYS @ 6:30 PM
 Nursery-Elementary



SUNDAYS @ 9AM
WEDNESDAYS @ 6:30 PM



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



DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN
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 Email: gucprayer@gmail.com

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Offering/Giving Box



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