



GRACE COMMUNITY

newsletter

November 1, 2020



October is Pastor Appreciation month and many of you have participated- thank you! This Sunday is the last chance you have to complete your leaf for our pastors 'Gratitude Trees'. You are encouraged to write a note (or several) of encouragement on a leaf for each of our pastors. The table is set up in the foyer. The leaves will be placed on trees and hung on each pastor's door to provide smiles and encouragement as they minister to our church and community.



LET'S GIVE THANKS AND BE MERRY

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Nov. 18, 2020 | 6:30 PM
GraceCommunity Church of Riverton
FOOD CATERED BY GOLDEN GOODIES

RSVP PLEASE (620) 848-4077

PLEASE RSVP!

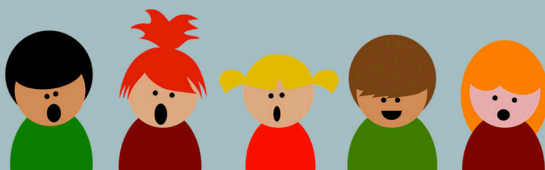
(DID WE MENTION **GOLDEN GOODIES** IS
CATERING THE MEAL THIS YEAR?

Since we are catering the banquet this year it is very important for us to have an approximation for how many people Golden Goodies needs to prepare meals.

Please help us out by either signing the signup at the information station

KIDS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

SIGN YOUR STUDENT UP TODAY BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!



Just a reminder that, until we can upgrade our internet service, we will be suspending our live-streaming of the services. Sermons will be uploaded after the service to the GraceCommunity Church YouTube page and FB page later in the day.



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MS/HS Students meet upstairs every week. 7:00-8:00 for games, groups and a message.

AMONG US IRL makes it second appearance this week! Come see what all the hullabaloo is about!



Cat-on-a-banjo (middle school Bible class) meets upstairs after the worship set every Sunday except the last Sunday of the month.

High School students are welcome to join Book Club as we go through Ray Pritchard's book He's God, We're Not.

We meet **every other Sunday Morning @ 9:15**

Conversation has been really great so far and will only get better. A digital copy on Amazon is only \$2 or hardcopies of the book are around \$5 or less.

NOTICE:BOOK CLUB MEETS AGAIN Nov 8th @ 9:15 (upstairs)



The Big Pandemic Lesson Won't Come from Remote Learning

What it is: In mid-July, the Pew Research Center surveyed 10,211 American adults across different age groups to see if they believed there was a lesson for mankind in the pandemic. [86% said yes](#).

Why it's both sobering and encouraging: 35% of people surveyed believe that there's a message from God to be gleaned from the coronavirus outbreak. That means that there are lots of people seeking to find a deeper meaning in the chaos of this year. Over 3,000 survey participants wrote a personal response to sum up what they'd learned from the pandemic. These responses, from people young and old, are [eye-opening](#). Many pointed to COVID as a wake-up call to the importance of relationships, family, and faith. On the flip side, the big takeaways for many others were political in nature, as respondents pointed to the decline of once-trusted institutions, failure of public officials, and the raging public polarization that the pandemic brought to the surface. Post-COVID, it seems we all agree that increased polarization is bad for our social fabric, but nobody seems able to figure out what to do about it.

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DID YOU KNOW

- 2/3 of Christians came to faith before the age of 18.
- 43% came to Christ before the age 12.

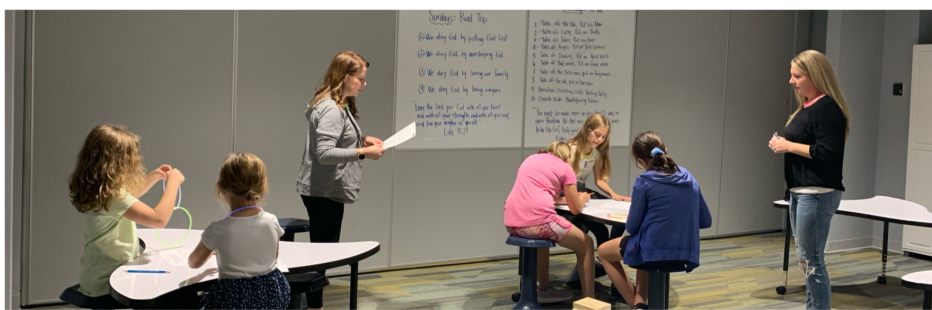
(Barna Group)

Children's ministry is crucial to our church and we can't do it without everyone helping. Right now, we are looking for people to join on Sunday morning team to make sure our KidMin continues.

Here are KidMin service areas needing more help:

Snack Team: Volunteers help set out snacks for the kids before service begins.

Host: Volunteers are stationed at our check-in counter to greet families as they arrive and assist them as they use the iPad and Computers.



Group Leader: Volunteers assist the Worship Leader and Bible Teacher throughout the morning while spending time with the kids.

Bible Teacher: Volunteers will lead children through an energy packed, Gospel filled worship/learning experience learning about God and His Word.

Come find me this Sunday to find your best fit!



Melissa "MJ" Smith



Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection:

Our Wednesday Night KidMin Programs are packing shoeboxes and need your help! We are accepting donations of shoeboxes (cardboard or plastic) and contents to fill them by Nov 8.

- The list of needed items is at shoebox table in foyer. If you like to fill shoeboxes, please bring them by Nov. 18.
- You may also donate money toward shipping or contents, please mark your check/envelope and place in offering or give to Alisha Webb, 785-844-2316.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

December 24th 7:00



DID YOU KNOW?

There is no "s" in daylight. The correct term is daylight "saving" - not savings - time. It's also supposed to be lowercase, not uppercase, according to the Associated Press stylebook.