

Grace Notes

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Grace Baptist Church

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Worship
10:15 a.m.

Video Worship
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**"For by grace you have
been saved through
faith, and this is not
your own doing; it
is the gift of God."
Ephesians 2:8 NRSV**

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One Year Ago in Sunday School

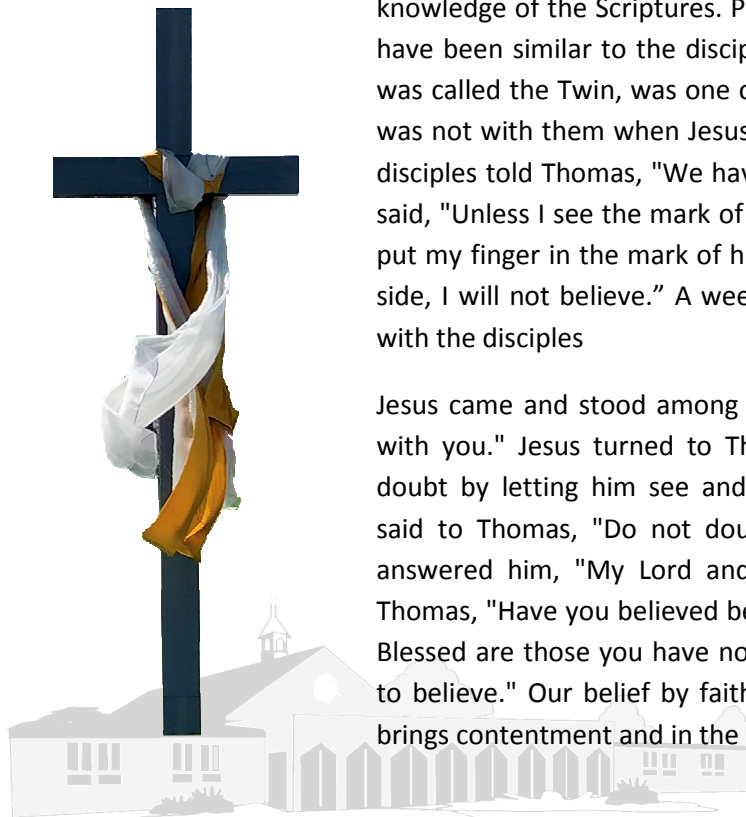
Of course, on April 19, 2020, Sunday school classes did not meet due to the pandemic. The topic that Sunday was from the Gospel of John. The Gospel of John was likely completed at the end of the first century AD (the year 100).

John 21:20-24 says the content came from "the disciple whom Jesus loved." John and his brother James were known as the "Sons of Thunder". The Gospel of John, according to most scholars, was developed independently of the Synoptic ("seeing together") Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke. Without John's Gospel, we would not have Jesus' "I am" sayings, the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead, and other passages.

The Scripture is from John 20. The setting is immediately after the Resurrection of Jesus. The disciples were meeting in a house that was locked due to their fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Jesus showed the disciples his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Our response is one of being centuries later with the knowledge of the Scriptures. Perhaps our reaction would have been similar to the disciple. Thomas. Thomas, who was called the Twin, was one of the twelve disciples, but was not with them when Jesus came. So when the other disciples told Thomas, "We have seen the Lord." Thomas said, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of his nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later when Thomas was with the disciples

Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Jesus turned to Thomas and challenged his doubt by letting him see and touch His wounds. Jesus said to Thomas, "Do not doubt, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to Thomas, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those you have not seen and yet have come to believe." Our belief by faith in the Resurrected Jesus brings contentment and in the Words of Jesus, "Peace"!



	Current	Missions	Cap. Imp.	Total
Budget	2,409.10	269.23	192.31	2,870.64
4/11/2021	1566.20	215.75	152.80	1934.75

Attendance	Worship	Sunday School	Video
4/11/2021	56	0	9

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NARTHEX NEWS

Greeters this Sunday, April 18: Jody Mclaughlin

Beth Sigley:

Please continue to keep Beth and her family in your prayers. She served as our office secretary and office manager for 38 years.

Guest Speakers:

Sunday, April 18th – Grace Baptist's own - Dennis Farabee *John 20: 27-28 - News: To Good to be True?*

Summer Camp

Again this year Grace Baptist Church will sponsor children to Heartland Camp and we want your children and grandchildren to participate in a week of fun, family and faith. Due to a nice grant from the Harry Arnote Foundation, campers from our church will only pay \$50.00 per week. Contact Tara in the church office for more information 816-452-0212.

Steve Barbee

It was nice to have 56 in attendance including a dozen visitors in worship last Sunday to hear Steve Barbee fill our pulpit. Thanks for always welcoming our guests with genuine warmth.

Great Rivers Region College Scholarships

College scholarships through the Great Rivers Region are available for our Grace students who will be studying in higher education this fall. Deadline for applications is May 1. Tara or Jerry will help interested people who would like to apply for these grants that range from \$500 to \$700. 816-452-0212.

Child Dedications

We are scheduling Child Dedications on Sunday, May 9, which is Mother's Day. If your family has a child five years of age or younger and would like to participate in this important ceremony, please contact the church office for more information. 816-452-0212.

Howard L. Jackson

Howard has written to express thanks to Grace for your prayers for his family during the past few weeks. His mother died of Covid in February but the family was unable to get her remains from California back to Kansas City. The problems have been finally resolved and a formal funeral will be held on April 17 at Metropolitan Baptist Temple at 11 a.m.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Health: Jeff Ashworth, Beth Sigley, Max Burk, Caroline, Peggy Dunn, Gisela Gruschka, Reece Hall, Bonnie Hespelt, Dave Hoitenga, Jim, Gary Jones, Ima Jean, Kathy, Larry Merriman, Elaine Mills, Sharon Patterson, Scott Pulido, Linda, Kenny and Lisa Smith, Doug Stallard, Gerry Stallard, Larry Stallard, Mark Stallard, Steve, Stephanie, Theresa's Grandpa, Ruth Turnage, Jean Tysdal, Don Wenger, Vangie's Sister, Wanda

Other: ABW, Burma, Chinese friend of Dennis Farabe, NE Christian University/India, Disasters in the USA, Family Promise, Grace Baptist Church/Pastor/Sunday School/Day Care/Diaconate, Law Enforcement, Leaders of Nation and State, Medical Staff Workers/First Responders, Abby Quiroz, Refugees, Ruth Naw, Search Committee, Shootings - World Conflicts, Our Missionaries Buttry-Longkumer-McCurdy-Ngwemi-Sonna, Those Traveling, Garmai Wilson

Bereavement: Harold Smith Family, Terry