

# GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

SUNDAY

MAR. 4, 2012

The organ prelude marks the beginning of the worship service. It calls us to quiet ourselves and to direct our hearts and minds toward Him.

Prelude	"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" by Matt Limbaugh	
Call to Worship	"His Name Is Yahweh" "In Him We Live"	Insert
Invocation		
Gloria Patri		Insert
Announcements		
Hymn	"We're Marching to Zion"	514
Hymn	"On Jordan's Stormy Banks"	517
Hymn	"Beulah Land "	515
Praise and Prayer		Ron Blackman
In His Word	"Laziness"	II Thess. 3:6-12
Benediction		
Closing Chorus	"Freely, Freely"	Insert

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but godliness is profitable unto all things,  
having promise of the life that now is,  
and of that which is to come."  
I Timothy 4:8**  
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## The Sweetest Lives

The sweetest lives are those to duty wed,  
Whose deeds, both great and small,  
Are close-knit strands of unbroken threads  
Where love ennobles all.  
The world may sound no trumpets, ring no bells;  
The book of life the shining record tells.

The love shall chant its own beatitudes  
After its own life working. A child's kiss  
Set on thy sighing lips shall make thee glad;  
A sick man helped by thee shall make thee strong;  
Thou shalt be served thyself by every sense  
Of service which thou renderest.

*Elizabeth Barrett Browning*

## Work

Let me but do my work from day to day  
In field or forest, at the desk or loom,  
In roaring market-place or tranquil room;  
Let me but find it in my heart to say,  
When vagrant wishes beckon me astray,  
"This is my work; my blessing, not my doom;  
Of all who loive, I am the one by whom  
This work can best be done in the right way."

Then shall I see it not too great, nor small,  
To suit my spirit and to prove my powers;  
Then shall I cheerful greet the labouring hours,  
And cheerful turn, when the long shadows fall  
At eventide, to play and love and rest,  
Because I know for me my work is best.

*Henry van Dyke*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.....**

03/04	Sun.	10:30 AM	Sunday School
		11:30 AM	Fellowship & Refreshments
		11:45 AM	Morning Worship
		2:00 PM	Sunday Dinner with the Least
03/07	Wed.	7:00 PM	Mid Week Service
			Prayer, Praise, and Bible Study
			Adult Study: "Luke"
			Kids Club: "Young Teen Talk"
			Youth: "Teen Talk"

Passion Week: Palm Sun. 4/1, Maundy Thurs. 4/5, Good Friday 4/6; Easter Sun. 4/7

The Least personal hygiene kits: tooth paste, tooth brush, wash cloth, soap, comb, deodorant, razor, feminine napkins.

Bibles for Russia collection in entryway.

Remember soup collection for Metropolitan Ministries.

On the table at the entrance to the sanctuary you will find visitor cards, prayer cards, the attendance register, and the offering box. If you have never completed a visitor card, please complete one and place it in the offering box. If you have completed a visitor card on a previous visit, please register your attendance today by signing the attendance register.

**IN HIS SERVICE.....IN HIS HOUSE**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Refresh.</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
03/04	Caleb	Miller	Bottomley
03/11	Andy	Lowry C	Lowry
03/18	Zoe	Blackman	Blackman

**A MERRY HEART DOETH GOOD LIKE A MEDICINE**

**ANGELS AS EXPLAINED BY CHILDREN**

Jack, age 6

Angels don't eat, but they drink milk from Holy Cows!!!

**FAMILAR WORDS WITH APPROPRIATE DEFINITIONS**

**COMMITTEE**

A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

**HOLY HUMOR**

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!" His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means? The son replied, "I do know!" "Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?" "That's easy, Daddy..." the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'"

**QUESTIONS THAT HAUNT ME**

Once you're in heaven, do you get stuck wearing the clothes you were buried in for eternity?



**OLD FARMER'S ADVISE**

"Live a good and honorable life, then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time."

**PROVERBS FOR LIVING**

"Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge."

Proverbs 19:27

## A Last Prayer

Father, I scarcely dare to pray,  
So clear I see, now it is done,  
That I have wasted half my day,  
And left my work but just begun;

So clear I see that things I thought  
Were right or harmless were a sin;  
So clear I see that I have sought  
Unconscious, selfish aims to win;

So clear I see that I have hurt  
The soul I might have helped to save;  
That I have slothful been, inert,  
Deaf to the calls thy leaders gave.

In out skirts of thy kingdom vast,  
Father, the humblest spot give me;  
Set the lowliest task thou hast,  
Let me repentant work for thee.

*Helen Hunt Jackson*

## O To Be Up and Doing

O to be up and doing O  
Unfearing and unshamed to go  
In all the uproar and the press  
About my human business! . . .  
For still the Lord is Lord of might:  
In deeds, in deeds he takes delight;  
The plough, the spear, the laden barks,  
The field, the founded city, marks;  
He marks the smiler of the streets,  
The singers upon the garden seats; . . .  
Those he approves that ply the trade,  
That rock the child, that wed the maid,  
That with weak virtues, weaker hands,  
Sow gladness on the peopled lands,  
And still with laughter, song and shout,  
Spin the great wheel of earth about.

*Robert Louis Stevenson*

03/04/12  
“Laziness”  
II Thessalonians 3:6-12  
I Timothy 4:8

(II Thess 3:6-12)

(2 Th 3:10) For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.

(Judg 18:9) And they said, Arise, that we may go up against them: for we have seen the land, and, behold, it is very good: and are ye still? be not slothful to go, and to enter to possess the land.

(Prov 6:6-11)

(Prov 10:26) As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the sluggard to them that send him.

(Prov 12:24) The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.

(Prov 12:27) The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.

(Prov 13:4) The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

(Prov 15:19) The way of the slothful man is as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous is made plain.

(Prov 18:9) He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.

(Prov 19:15) Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.

(Prov 19:24) A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.

(Prov 21:25) The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.

(Prov 24:30-34)

(Prov 20:4) The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing.

(Prov 22:13) The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.

(Prov 26:13-16)

(Eccl 10:18) By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.

(Isa 56:10) His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.

(Mat 25:26) His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strowed:

(Rom 12:11) Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

(Heb 6:12) That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

(1 Tim 4:8) For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.

(1 Pet 2:2) As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

(Heb 10:25) Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

(Eph 6:18) Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

(Jer 29:7) And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

(I Tim 2:1-3)

(Heb 13:15) By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.

(Luke 1:49) For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is his name.

(Psa 95:6) O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

(Psa 96:9) O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

(2 Pet 1:10) Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

(John 13:17) If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.