




The goal of our 24-hour prayer vigil is to,

- Help us as a church grow in our praying,
- Draw closer to God,
- Seek Him for wisdom and guidance for future plans,
- Ask God to help us in all of our ministry areas,
- Continue to build a culture of prayer at GP within community, and
- To have 2 or more gathered at GP in prayer each hour.


Sign up to pray in the Chapel: <https://tinyurl.com/gppray24>



For more information and events happening at GracePoint visit or follow us at:  
[www.gracepointpc.org](http://www.gracepointpc.org)

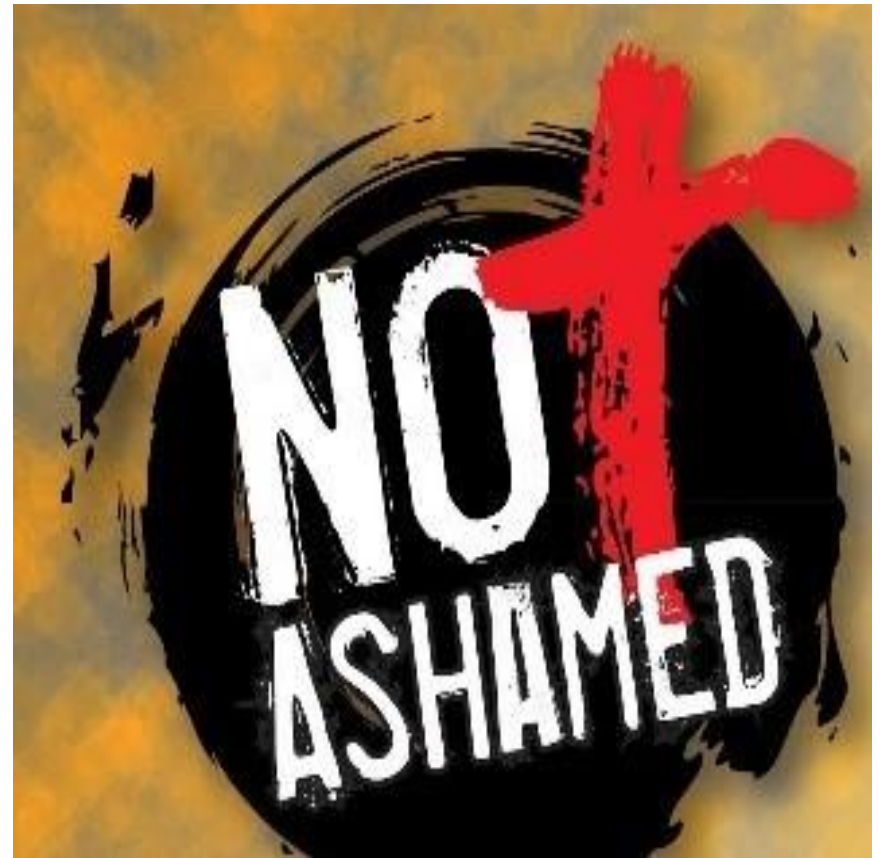
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Church Office hours: Mon. – Thu. 8am-3pm

# WHY DID JESUS COME?



*"For I am **not ashamed** of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes..."*  
 Romans 1:16

February 3, 2019

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING ONE ANOTHER – LUKE 24:36

CALL TO WORSHIP – PSALM 9:13-14

SONGS OF PRAISE TO OUR SENDING GOD

\*“At Your Name”

\*“Rising Sun”

\*“Holy Spirit”

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

CHILDREN’S LESSON – MARK 9:47

OFFERTORY - “Before the Throne of God Above”

*We offer ourselves to God, dedicating all to his service.  
Visitors, please feel no obligation to give to this ministry.*

HEAR GOD’S WORD

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 104:1-9

New Testament Reading: Mark 1:21-34; 5:21-24; 2:6-12

SERMON – MARK 9:43-47 - PASTOR ROBERT OLSZEWSKI

HOLY COMMUNION

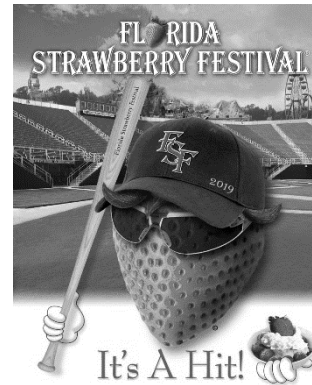
\*DOXOLOGY

\*BENEDICTION

*Elders will be available for prayer following the Service*

*\*Stand as Comfort Allows*

**In Reverence to the Lord and for the courtesy of other worshipers, please turn off or silence your cell phones and other electronics.**



## STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL PARKING

It is our pleasure to be able to park cars for the 4th year in a row for the Florida Strawberry Festival from February 28 – March 10, 2019. We are asking you, our church members, friends & family to volunteer and sign up for as many shifts as you are able. **All money raised will go directly to our Youth & Children's Ministry.**

To sign up online please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/gp-parking>

*thank you*

The family of Billy Ray Kirby would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, visits, and expressions of love. Thanks also to those who prepared and served the meal following the funeral service. We appreciate everyone's thoughtfulness and support of us during this time.



Thank you for your many acts of kindness: prayers, food, calls, visits, and cards. God is strengthening our family with His grace. We appreciate your love and support.

In Gratitude  
The Gibbs Family

## New Pew Bibles in Honor/Memory Of

GracePoint affirms God's word and adheres to the WCF's understanding that "All of the books (66 in the OT & NT) are inspired by God and are the rule of faith and life." (Lk 16.29,31, Eph 2.20, Rv 22.18-19, 2 Tm 3.16, Mt 11.27). Therefore, we want to have the Holy Scriptures available to all to read and study. To that end...GracePoint will be purchasing ESV bibles for the sanctuary & to give to those in need of one. While this is a budgeted expense, we'd like to offer to you, our GracePoint family, if you would like to purchase one in memory of a loved one, you may do so. Please just put "bible" and "in memory of..." in the memo of the check. Once the bibles come in, we will put a label inside the ones that are dedicated.

## SERMON NOTES

### WHY DID JESUS COME – Mark 9:43-47

1. We all have a \_\_\_\_\_ problem (Mark 7:20-23)
2. Jesus came to cure our \_\_\_\_\_ problem (Mark 2:15-17)
3. Why does our \_\_\_\_\_ problem matter so much? (Mark 9:43-47)
4. Our Response - Holy Communion

#### Quotes to Ponder

"But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death." - Revelations 21:8

" They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from[a] the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might," - 2 Thessalonians 1:9

"The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, 42 and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." - Matthew 13:41-42

"“There are only two kinds of people in the end: those who say to God, "Thy will be done," and those to whom God says, in the end, "Thy will be done." All that are in Hell, choose it. Without that self-choice there could be no Hell. No soul that seriously and constantly desires joy will ever miss it. Those who seek find. Those who knock it is opened.” - C.S. Lewis, The Great Divorce

### Gospel of Mark Reading Plan 2019

- Mark 1:16-3:6 – Good News (week of Jan. 20)
- Mark 3:7-5:43 – Who is Jesus? (week of Jan. 27)
- Mark 6:1-8:30 – Why did Jesus come? (week of Feb. 3)
- Mark 8:31-10:52 - Why did Jesus Die? (week of Feb. 10)
- Mark 11:1-33 – Why did Jesus rise? (week of Feb. 17)
- Mark 12:1-13:37– How can God accept me? (week of Feb. 24)
- Mark 14:1-16:20 - What Does It Mean to Follow Jesus (week of Mar. 3)

Download YouVersion for audio listening -  
<https://www.youversion.com/apps>

## P2P (PASTOR TO PEOPLE) -

### HOW CAN A LOVING GOD SEND ANYONE TO HELL?



*The Last Judgement by Michelangelo*  
Has anyone ever asked you, “How can a loving God send anyone to hell?” If so, what have you said? Jesus teaches us in the gospel that indeed heaven and hell exists. Christianity Explored has some very helpful words for us on this matter of hell.

“The Bible says that hell is a place without any of the good things that God gives us and which we enjoy today, such as friendship, love, joy—it’s an awful place. And so why can’t God just forgive everyone, and let

anyone into heaven? Why does he insist in a seemingly cruel way that some people must go to hell?

Well the Bible says that God is loving, and it also says that he will send some people to hell—so could it be that both things are true at the same time? I’d like to briefly give a couple of suggestions as to why this is the case.

Just because God is loving, does not mean that he loves everything—there are some things that God doesn’t love, that in fact he hates. So, he doesn’t love murder, or abuse, or selfishness, or pride. Actually, if he is loving, then he will hate these things. It wouldn’t be very loving of God to look at something like child abuse and say: “Well, I’m not really that bothered.”

So God is loving—and yet he doesn’t love everything.

And because this loving God hates bad things, he does something about it. And this is good news. We all have a kind of a sense of justice—so it’s good news that people who mistreat others are not allowed into God’s perfect kingdom, but are shut out—that is, they’re sent to hell.

It’s loving of a just God to hate and punish wrongdoing, so that only perfect things are in his perfect kingdom.” Learn more by watching an excellent video on this topic: [https://youtu.be/ P9m9xhBM60](https://youtu.be/P9m9xhBM60)

Much grace,  
Pastor Robert

**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, February 3 - Communion**

- 8:45 a.m. Prayer Group in Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 10:45 a.m. Sip ‘n Chat
- 11:10 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

**Monday, February 4**

- 7:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice

**Tuesday, February 5**

- 9:00 a.m. Classical Conversations
- 5:00 p.m. Exercise & Praise
- 6:00 p.m. Women’s Study

**Wednesday, February 6**

- 9:30 a.m. Cherup LifeGroup
- 1:00 p.m. Lydia Guild
- 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
- 6:15 p.m. Classes for all ages
- 7:30 p.m. Prayer Focus

**Thursday, February 7**

- 10:30 a.m. Exercise & Praise

**Friday, February 8 - Office closed**

- 6:00 a.m. Sleep Warriors

**Saturday, Febraury 9**

**Sunday, Febraury 10**

- 8:45 a.m. Prayer Group in Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 10:45 a.m. Sip ‘n Chat
- 11:10 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

**THE WEEK THAT WAS — FINANCE**

Weekly Income Budget	\$	9,616
Offering	1/27	\$ 8,234

**GRACEPOINT PRAYER LIST**

If you have a prayer request or would like to be added to our email prayer chain, please email: [kbergman@gracepointpc.org](mailto:kbergman@gracepointpc.org).



...pray for Anthony D’Alessio, grandfather of Christina Wagner following surgery for a blood clot and her step mother, April who is having a biopsy.

...pray for Leon and Sarah Perry, Leon is not feeling well.

...pray for Andrea Simmons. She has been having trouble regulating her blood pressure.

...prayer for Victoria Lykins, a friend of Mayra Nieves. She has been diagnosed with lung cancer.

...pray for Sherry Scheitler’s dad, Gene Elston for health concerns and salvation.

...pray for Bruce and Patricia Hinson for healing following surgery and sickness.

...pray for Mercy Pritt for peace of spirit at home and at school as she is enrolled in the International Baccalaureate Program at Strawberry Crest High School.

...pray for Ralph Burnett for health concerns.

**SERVING GLOBALLY**

**Praying for Our Communities – February 20; 6:15 pm**

Join us for a time of reflection (what did we learn from When Helping Hurts?) and focused prayer as Phil Thrash (EPC World Outreach) leads us in praying for our communities (in Plant City, our region, and the world). This will also prepare us for our Prayer 24 (Feb. 23-24).



Phil and Diane, who both have graduate degrees from Regent University, along with their daughter Kelsey, were EPC global workers on a church-planting team in Berlin, Germany from 2005-2010. After the church plant got off the ground, the EPC World Outreach Committee asked them to return and use their gifts for the EPC in missions and prayer mobilization for World Outreach (WO). Diane is the Missionary Prayer Network website administrator while Phil helps recruit global workers for WO and is an intercessor for the Missionary Prayer Network. Phil is a Teaching Elder in the Mid-Atlantic Presbytery (EPC) and he and his family live in Chesapeake, VA.

**ELDER OF THE DAY**

Rob Dusse

**DEACON OF THE MONTH**

Kerry Beard

**ACOLYTES**

**TODAY’S WORSHIP**

**VOLUNTEERS**

***Special Needs Class***

9:30 a.m.

Tami Corbiere

11:00 a.m.

Missy Bell

***Children’s Church***

Hailee Brightwell

***Sip n’ Chat Cleanup***

Sytsma/Kennedy  
LifeGroup



**Team PigaPalooza Thanks You!**

We would like to thank everyone who participated in making this event a success. This year we smoked 600 butts. That means we had to sell tickets, purchase ingredients, set-up, cut tin foil, wrap, manage finances, smoke, pick up and deliver smokers, deliver pork butts to Tampa, Lakeland and Brandon and so much more. You are the hands and feet behind this outreach/mission project, and it wouldn’t be possible without a great team like we have here at GracePoint.