Welcome

We're glad you've joined us this morning! Feel free to check things out and determine whether we might be a good match for you. We're here to help at your invitation—you set the pace.

When you're ready for the next step, consider checking out an additional Sunday activity like Bible Fellowships or Community Groups, or a mid-week study that interests you. There are many great ways to connect with others in our church family each semester as you grow in your relationship with Jesus. Pick up a *Guide to Grace Church* as you leave for more details!

Online Access

It's now easier than ever to find the information and tools you need from the front page of our website at **gracechurch.com!**

You can save time and paperwork by quickly registering yourself or your family for activities, giving online using a card or bank account, and subscribing to calendars and email updates. Get the latest details about upcoming classes, studies, small groups, and special events.

It works great on your smartphone or tablet, too!

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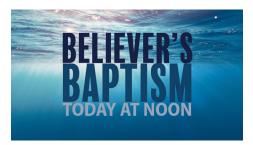


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Information



Please join us in the chapel at noon today, after the second worship service, as we support and celebrate those who are publicly declaring their faith in Jesus Christ.



There's lots of fun in store for kids and their families at our annual fall festival! Join us in the west parking lot at 6:00 PM for games, candy, popcorn, and a costume parade.



October 28: Operation Christmas Child begins October 31: No Wednesday night activities November 17: Thanksgiving Outreach December 3: Ladies' Christmas Night Out



Our facilities team needs to prepare the Gymnatorium for an event happening later this week. Please help out by stacking the chairs seven high after the second service today.

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Today in worship we're continuing *Carry On*, a Sunday morning study of the book of Nehemiah, which is the account of a man—and a people—committed to faithfully doing God's work in the face of challenges and opposition. We're glad you've joined us as we gather together this morning!

Please Pray with Us

Our staff is operating under the oversight of the elders in the general direction set by our lead pastor Tom Rodgers, who passed away on June 30. Please continue to pray for our entire leadership team as we seek direction and clarity during this time.

Available at each exit is a guide showing suggested ways you can be praying with us during the coming weeks. We appreciate your prayers and encourage you to pray through the two-week list as many times as you like.

News and Family Matters

Serving at the Fall Festival

In two weeks, hundreds of children from our church family and the surrounding area will be in our parking lot for a safe evening of fall-themed fun. We need lots of adult help to make this enjoyable event happen — see the card in today's bulletin for ways you can serve! You can leave completed cards in the offering box as you go.

Family Matters

Please pray for Kelly and Steve Bowlin as they grieve the passing of his father.

Please pray for Kent & Sara Fidlar as they grieve the passing of her father.

Please pray for Dee King as she grieves the passing of her husband Larry.

Please pray for Tammie Perry and her family as they grieve the passing of her son Mik.

Congratulations to Emily and Clint Bennett on the birth of their son Logan Myles.

 $Congratulations \ to \ Amy \ and \ Blayne \ Berry \ on \ the \ birth \ of \ their son \ Grayson \ Layne.$

This Week

Churchwide

Worship Services

Today, 9:00-10:15 AM or 10:30-11:45 AM

Bible Fellowships

Today, 9:00-10:15 AM or 10:30-11:45 AM

Believer's Baptism

Today at noon in the Chapel

Biblical & Topical Studies

Judges

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in room 206 &

Quest

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in room 201 ≜

Marriage & Family Studies

Love and Respect

Today, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM in room 209

Growing through Grief

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in room 208 ≜

Song of Solomon

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in room 207 &

Women

Women's Community Group

Today, 5:30-7:30 PM at 1615 Tilden St.

Experiencing God

Tuesday, 10:00–11:30 AM in room 208 & or Tuesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in room 201 &

Men

Salt and Light

Tuesday, 6:00–7:30 AM or Tuesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in room 206

Samson Society

Thursday, 7:00–8:30 PM in the Library

- Second : Childcare available by reservation
- **★**: New this week

Senior Adults

Salt and Light

Tuesday, 1:00-2:00 PM in room 111

Game Night ★

Friday, 6:00-9:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

College

College LateNight

Tuesday, 8:00–9:30 PM at the G.Y.M.

High School

Tuesday Bible Study

Wednesday, 6:00-7:30 PM in the Groom's Suite

Youth

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

Middle School

Foundations

Monday, 6:30-7:30 PM at 4635 North Shore Dr

Youth

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

4th & 5th Grade

Ignite

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in the Loft

Preschool-3rd Grade

Kids' Quest

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in the children's area

Lord's Supper this Morning

As part of our worship together today, we will share the Lord's Supper together. Anyone who has placed their faith in Jesus Christ is welcome to join us. Please note that the bread served is gluten free, so that all who wish to participate may do so.

This Morning

Lesson 6: The Power and Impact of Greed—*Nehemiah 5:1–19*

Reggie Coe, Marriage and Senior Adults Pastor

- The reality of greed: The people experienced financial distress due to the financial practices of their Jewish brethren—Nehemiah 5:1–5.
 - **A.** The economic crisis affected those with limited means and made it hard for them to sustain their lives—*Nehemiah 5:1–2*.
 - **B.** These people resorted to mortgaging their property in order to purchase food—*Nehemiah 5:3.*
 - **C.** In addition to borrowing money at high interest rates, some even sold their children into slavery—*Nehemiah 5:4–5.*
- II. The rebuke of greed: Nehemiah challenged the wealthy Jews who were causing economic hardships in the lives of their Jewish brethren to repentance and restoration— Nehemiah 5:6–13.
 - **A.** Before addressing the nobles, Nehemiah carefully considered the best approach to address this problem—*Nehemiah 5:6–7a*.
 - **B.** The consequences of these financial practices caused great hardships among the people—*Nehemiah 5:7b-11*.
 - C. The wealthy responded to Nehemiah's rebuke and restored to the people their lands, their homes, and their food and drink—Nehemiah 5:12–13.
- **III.** The remedy for greed: Adopting a mindset of unselfishness and generosity provides a way to address greed—*Nehemiah 5:14–19*.
 - **A.** Nehemiah refused to take all allowances allotted to him as an example of not being driven by greed—*Nehemiah 5:14–15*.
 - **B.** Nehemiah provided food for many, including leaders, workers, and foreign dignitaries—*Nehemiah 5:16–19*.

Notes

Next Sunday

Nehemiah 6