

# 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](http://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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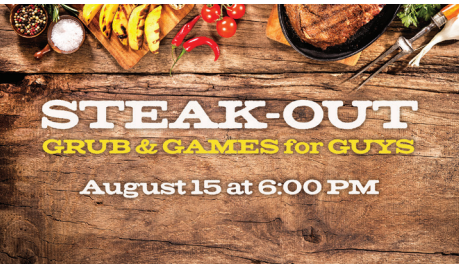
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# Information



Come for the food, stay for the clay shooting, dominoes, fishing, and more at Tom Stephens' ranch just southeast of town—\$15 covers it all. Reserve your spot online or in the Main Hall.



Our team who traveled to the Jamaica Deaf Village earlier this month has returned and is sharing with us this morning the sign language song they performed for the residents there.



Everyone ages 12 and up can join in as we work together to provide refreshment and encouragement to cyclists in our community. Sign up in the Main Hall to work or provide food.

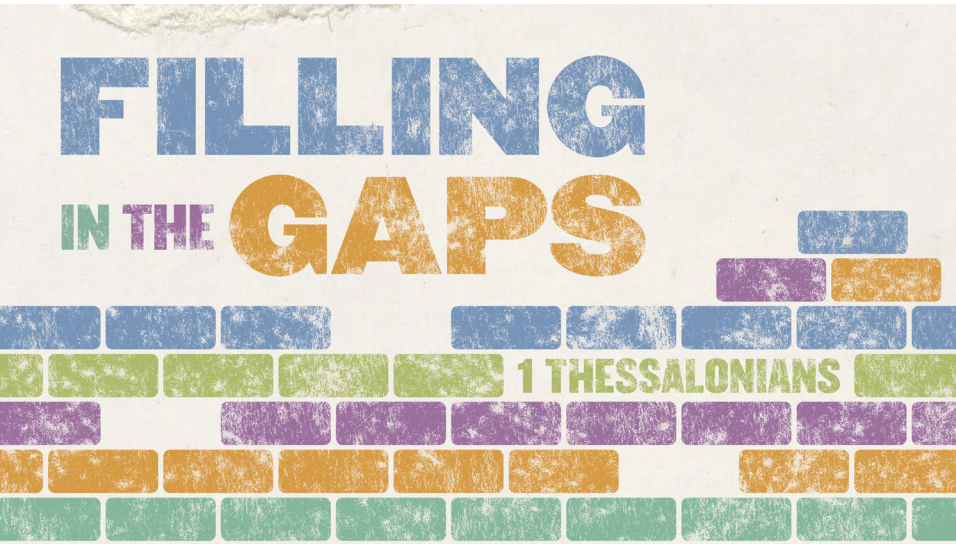


Summer Community Groups: Sunday, August 5  
Grade Promotion: Sunday, August 19  
Fall Kick-off Dinner: Wednesday, August 29  
Fall Studies Begin: Wednesday, September 5

## Leadership Team

<b>Harry Allison</b> Elder	<b>Joe Cook</b> Elder	<b>Phil Ringman</b> Elder
<b>Brian Chance</b> Elder	<b>Charlie Eipper</b> Elder	<b>Larry Schmeltzer</b> Elder
<b>Jim Chandler</b> Elder	<b>Bill Gowan</b> Elder	
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This morning we're continuing *Filling in the Gaps*, our summer Bible study of 1 Thessalonians. In this letter, Paul prepares the church to grow strong under the constant attack of their enemies, both seen and unseen. Thanks for being here with us in worship today.

## News and Family Matters

### Family Matters

Congratulations to Erica and Cliff McGuire on the birth of their son Hayes Parker.

## 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.

Included in your bulletin this morning 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.

## 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

## Men

## Samson Society

Thursday, 7:00–8:30 PM in the Library

## Women

## Joyful Contentment

Tuesday, 10:00–11:30 AM or  
Tuesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in the Loft

## College

## Summer LateNight

Tuesday, 7:00–9:00 PM at 1293 N. Saratoga Trail

👤 : Childcare available by reservation  
 ★ : New this week

## High School

**Open G.Y.M.**

Monday, 7:00–9:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

## The ARC

Tuesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in room 111

## Youth

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

## Middle School

**Open G.Y.M.**

Monday, 7:00–9:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

## Youth

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

# This Morning

## Lesson 7: The Effect of Stability in the Midst of Adversity—1 Thessalonians 3:1–13

Reggie Coe, Marriage and Senior Adults Pastor

- I. **A concern for other people's stability in Christ:** As a believer or church becomes more stable in their relationship with the Lord, the enemy will seek to discourage them and cause them to falter in their walk with Christ—*1 Thessalonians 3:1–5*.
- II. **The consequences of stability in Christ:** Persevering and remaining steadfast in the midst of adversity brings great joy and encouragement to other believers who watch and pray—*1 Thessalonians 3:6–10*.
- III. **Prayer for continued stability in Christ:** Prayer for others in the midst of adversity focuses on them remaining loving and irreproachable in their walk until the Lord returns—*1 Thessalonians 3:11–13*.

## Notes

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## Next Sunday

## 1 Thessalonians 4:1–12