## 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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## **Coming Up**



You can help make Camp in the City a great success and a blessing to kids in our community. If you'd like to help, there's still time to get involved—visit with us in the Main Hall today!



Our senior adult group is heading to Palo Duro Canyon for an overnight trip to see the Texas musical on June 22–23. Prices start at \$170 per person, and the registration deadline is May 15.



Tonight is the final scheduled Community Groups meeting until summer. If you'd like to get involved in a small group with others, contact your life stage pastor (all ages listed below).



If you'd like to spend some additional time studying God's Word on Sunday morning, check out a Bible Fellowship at 9:00 or 10:30. See a list of classes inside this morning's bulletin.

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Today we're beginning Songs for a Season, a four-week study of Psalms during the month of May. Our pastoral team has selected Psalms that are particularly meaningful to them and will share how Israel's hymnbook can provide comfort, reassurance, and joy during every season of life.

## **News and Family Matters**

### **Please Pray for Our Summer Mission Teams**

We have several teams traveling hundreds of miles to work together this summer. The dates and locations of the trips are listed below. Please pray for the teams as they continue to make their preparations over the next several weeks.

College: Memphis, June 2–8 High School: Houston, June 17–22 Adults: Jamaica, July 14–21

### **Family Matters**

Please pray for Diane Dockery as she grieves the passing of her mother.

## 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

## **Small Groups**

## **Community Groups**

Today, 5:30–7:30 PM in host homes ♣

## **Marriage and Family Studies**

### **Respectfully Yours**

Tuesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in room 209 ≜

## Men

### **Samson Society**

Thursday, 7:00–8:30 PM in the Library

- S: Childcare available by reservation
- ★: New this week

## **Senior Adults**

### **Clark Gardens Trip**

Saturday, 10:00 AM-5:00 PM in Weatherford, TX

## **High School**

### Youth

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

## Middle School

### Youth

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

### 4th & 5th Grade

### Dinner and a Movie

Today, 5:30-8:00 PM in the Loft

## **Bible Fellowships**

Bible Fellowships are a Sunday morning activity centered around an interactive study of Scripture and grouped by life stage. These medium-sized groups meet each week at 9:00 or 10:30 AM—see a list of available groups below:

Block One	Block Two
(Sundays, 9:00–10:15 AM)	(Sundays, 10:30–11:45 AM)
Children through Grade 3 (children's area) College (room 202) Adults 1 (20s, room 207) Adults 5 (50s & 60s, room 209) Adults 6 (60s & up, room 206) Women (women only, room 201)	Children through Grade 3 (children's area) Children, Grades 4–5 (in the Loft) Students, Grades 6–12 (at the G.Y.M.) Adults 2 (30s, room 207) Adults 3 (30s & 40s, room 206) Adults 4 (40s & 50s, room 208)

## **This Morning**

Lesson 1: A Psalm for the Aging—Psalm 71

Tom Rodgers, Lead Pastor

- **I. Facing the present:** When we've made the Lord our refuge, we can anticipate His deliverance from all the forces that can take us down—*Psalm 71:1–3*.
- **II.** Looking back to the past: Our confidence in God's ability to protect us is strengthened by a long history of trusting in Him—*Psalm 71:4–8*.
- **III.** Coping with aging: The vulnerability of aging should prompt us to trust the Lord to sustain us against all the forces that can cause our demise—*Psalm 71:9–13.*
- **IV.** Looking forward to the future: Reliance on the Lord over the years provides a time-tested foundation to continue to depend upon and deepen our devotion to Him—*Psalm 71:14–24*.
  - **A.** Enriched praise: Continued dependence on the Lord as we age enriches our praise to Him—Psalm 71:14–16.
  - **B.** Enhanced longing: Those with a long history of trusting the Lord become deeply concerned about sharing His faithfulness with the next generation—*Psalm 71:17–18*.
  - **C. Heightened anticipation:** When we've watched the Lord prove Himself trustworthy over a considerable period time, we gain a heightened anticipation of His recurring intervention in our lives—*Psalm 71:19–24*.

**Notes** 

# **Next Sunday**

Psalm 34