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. Contact the staff pastor over your life stage for more information.

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 for more details!



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Information



Middle and High School students are already reserving their spots at this upcoming weekend of fun with friends, great worship, learning more about God, and staying up late. Sign up today!



Ladies, we hope you'll be part of this great weekend in February. Spend time together with friends as we learn from speaker Colleen Searcy. See us in the Main Hall today or register online!



We hope you'll take part in this annual family opportunity to bless our community. We need drivers to deliver Thanksqiving meals to those in need—sign up in the Main Hall this morning!



You can pick up a box in the hallway this morning as part of Operation Christmas Child. Your family can fill it with much-needed gifts and send joy to children around the world.

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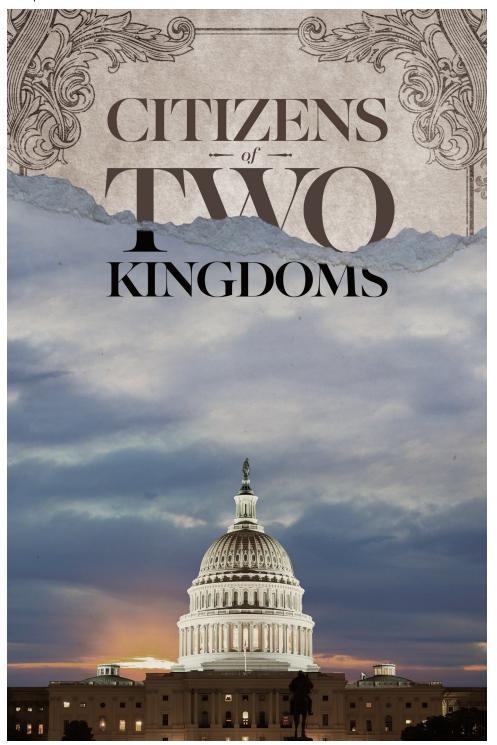
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November 6, 2016



This Week

Churchwide

Worship Services

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

Bible Fellowships

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

Community Groups

Sunday, 5:30–7:30 PM in various homes ≜

Biblical & Topical Studies

1 Timothy

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

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Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in room 204 ≜

Marriage & Family Studies

Respectfully Yours

Tuesday, 10:00–11:30 AM & or Tuesday, 6:30–8:00 PM & in room 202

Men

Finding Freedom: Galatians

Tuesday, 6:00–7:30 AM or Tuesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in the Loft

Samson Society

Thursday, 7:00–8:30 PM in the Library

Friday Morning Study

Friday, 6:30-7:30 AM in room 206

Women

MOMs Book Study

Tuesday, 10:00-11:30 AM in room 208 &

8 : Childcare available by reservation

Senior Adults

Tuesday Afternoon Study

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

College & Career

Singles Community Group

Monday, 7:00-9:00 PM at 4302 Scottsdale Ln

Converge

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

High School

Upperclassmen Study

Tuesday, 6:00–7:30 PM at 1927 Ardath Ave

Youth

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

Middle School

Foundations Study

Tuesday, 6:30-7:30 PM at 2921 Moffett Ave

Youth

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

4th & 5th Grade

Dinner and a Movie

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

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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

September Financial Update

General Fund	Last Year Sep. 1, 2015– Sep. 30, 2015	This Year Sep. 1, 2016– Sep. 30, 2016
Amount Received	96,525	117,225
Amount Spent	137,688	130,372
Net Gain/(Loss)	(41,163)	(13,147)

This Morning

How Does Our Heavenly Citizenship Guide Us This Election Week?—*Philippians 3:17–4:1* Tom Rodgers, Lead Pastor

- **I.** The Problem: The apostle Paul urged us to follow his example of focusing our minds on eternal matters in contrast to those who primarily set their minds on earthly things (cp. 1 Timothy 2:1–2; Romans 13:1, 6–7; Jeremiah 29:7; Luke 20:25)—*Philippians 3:17–19*.
- **II.** The Reason: We are not to focus exclusively on earthly matters, including political ones, because we are ultimately citizens of heaven—*Philippians 3:20a.*
- **III.** The Hope: Our heavenly citizenship calls us to live in light of the imminent hope of seeing Jesus Christ face-to-face, and not who will be in the White House next January (cp. Titus 2:13)—*Philippians 3:20b.*
- **IV.** The Transformation: Our mortal bodies will be transformed into immortal bodies as the first fruits of the complete transformation of the entire universe, including all civil governments, which includes democracies—*Philippians 3:21*.
- V. The Exhortation: The apostle Paul spoke on behalf of Jesus Christ in urging his readers to maintain their focus on the values and directives of heaven while living on the colonial outpost called earth—Philippians 4:1.
- VI. The importance of middle matters: Most of our lives are lived in the area of middle matters, in which we have personal freedom without violating biblical absolutes (cp. Romans 14:10, 22–23; 1 Corinthians 10:31).



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- **VII.** Our Security: Ultimately, we are called to rest in the sovereign care of our Creator who has a plan for our lives and for all of human history, including America (cp. Isaiah 40:21–24; Daniel 2:20–21a, 4:34–35, 7:14).
- **VIII.** Our Paradigm: We need to approach the voting booth this year as citizens of heaven and harness our minds with the biblical absolutes that are pertinent to this election, the wise use of the principles of non-absolute matters, and the knowledge of the sovereignty of God over human history.

Notes
