Grace Church

Where do I learn more about Grace Church? For the best answers to questions you may have about our church family, we invite you to attend *Discovering Grace*, offered on the second Sunday of each month during the 9:30 AM Connecting Hour. The next opportunity to participate is October 10.

How do I become a member of Grace Church? We do not have a formal system of membership. If you consider this your church home and participate regularly with us, you're part of our family! If you want to be sure you're on our contact list, simply sign up to attend any class or event (or contact the church office directly).

How do I give to support Grace Church? We believe financial giving is a form of individual worship to be done freely and joyously as led by the Lord. You can place your gifts in the secure offering boxes mounted near most exits or give electronically online at any time via our website.

What was the name of that song we sang this morning? You can find and hear the songs we sing each week by using the Spotify music app (or Spotify.com) and searching for "Grace Church – Sunday Playlist." You can also search for "Grace Church – Song Library" to hear the complete collection of songs we regularly use.



How do I sign up for a class or event?

The fastest way is by using the Church Center app on your smartphone. You can also visit gracechurch.com and look for the "Sign Up" link, or just scan this code with your phone's camera app to access our registration page.

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NEXT WEEKEND OCTOBER 9–10, RESERVE YOUR SEATS TODAY

We encourage you to participate in this weekend of open and honest biblical perspectives on difficult issues of gender and sexuality. Topics include how to have meaningful conversations that are characterized by both grace and truth, and how to love others without compromising our theology. Sign up in Church Center.



Dr. Preston Sprinkle is a biblical scholar, speaker, podcaster, and the New York Times-bestselling author of multiple books on faith, grace, and cultural engagement.

Saturday: 9:00 AM–2:00 PM with Chick-fil-A lunch provided, \$20 per person **Sunday:** 8:00 AM or 10:45 AM during worship.

Can't attend in person? You can register to stream Saturday's sessions live online for \$20 per household. This is a live event only — video playback will NOT be available after the conference ends.

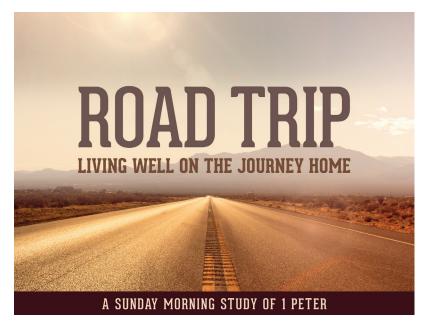


If you use the YouVersion Bible app on your smartphone, consider going paperless next time! Tap on *More*, then *Events* to find this morning's outline, scripture references, and announcements in digital form.



Our church family will gather to celebrate believer's baptism and the dedication of children on Sunday, October 17 at 9:30 AM.

If you would like to be baptized or dedicate a child, let us know! Sign up in Church Center or give us a call this week.



WELCOME

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we're glad you've joined us this morning as we worship. Today we're beginning *Road Trip*, our study of the book of 1 Peter.

INTRODUCING CHURCH CENTER

We're excited to introduce you to something we've been working on for a while: Church Center, our app for smartphones (available on iOS and Android).

It's the best tool we've ever offered for staying informed and connected with everything that's going on at Grace Church. You can explore the calendar, sign up for events, manage your online giving, and communicate with your groups and teams.



THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

Worship Service

Today, 8:00–9:15 AM in the Auditorium

Connecting Hour &

Today, 9:30-10:30 AM

Worship Service &

Today, 10:45 AM-Noon in the Auditorium

SPECIAL EVENT

Culture Conference

Saturday, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM in the Auditorium

TUESDAY STUDIES

Men's Study

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

Women's Study

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

Senior Adults Study

Tuesday, 1:00–2:00 PM in room 206

GriefShare

Tuesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in room 204

WEDNESDAY TRACKS

Bible Study:

Nehemiah &

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

Christian Home:

re|engage &

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

Personal Discipleship:

Freedom in Christ &

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in room 208

COLLEGE

LateNight

Tuesday, 8:00–9:30 PM at the Gym

HIGH SCHOOL

The Gym

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the Gym

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Foundations

Monday, 6:30-7:30 PM at 1606 Christine

The Gym

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM at the Gym

5TH & 6TH GRADE

Ignite

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in the Loft

CHILDREN

Mother+Son Night ★

Today, 5:30-7:00 PM at the Gym

Kids' Quest

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in the Kids' Area

★ New this week

& Childcare available

FAMILY MATTERS

Please pray for Randy and Susan Greenway as they grieve the passing of his brother.

Please pray for Jean Payne as she grieves the passing of her brother.

Congratulations to Austin and Bethany Laughlin on the birth of their daughter Joanna.

MESSAGE | 1 PETER 1:1-12

Road Trip, Lesson 1: Our Imperishable Inheritance

Lance Bourgeois, Senior Pastor

- Introduction: Peter writes this epistle to encourage a group of displaced believers that God loves them and has a plan for them—1 Peter 1:1–2.
 - **A.** Peter writes this epistle with the full weight of his apostolic authority—1 Peter 1:1a.
 - **B.** The epistle is written to remind believers of their calling as they have been scattered abroad—1 Peter 1:1b-2.
- **II. The Hope of Our Salvation:** For believers, the gift of salvation holds promise both for today and a guaranteed future—1 *Peter 1:3–5.*
 - **A.** Looking back, believers have been spiritually born, giving them a sure hope—1 *Peter 1:3*.
 - B. Looking ahead, believers know that their eternal inheritance is secure—1 Peter 1:4.
 - C. For today, believers are empowered and shielded by God in daily life—1 Peter 1:5.
- **III.** The Joy of Our Salvation: For believers, trials evoke joy as they experience the past, present, and future realities of their salvation—1 Peter 1:6–9.
 - **A.** The certainty of a believer's salvation allows believers to experience joy independent of circumstances or environment—1 Peter 1:6.
 - **B.** Believers can rejoice knowing that trials will not only refine their faith but will also reveal the reality of their faith—1 *Peter 1:7*.
 - **C.** Believers ground their faith and joy in their love for a Savior that they have not physically seen (cf. John 20:29)—1 Peter 1:8.
 - **D.** Believers have the joyful reality of experiencing the past, present, and future aspects of their salvation—1 Peter 1:9.
- **IV.** The Witnesses of our Salvation: For believers, hope is found in placing their faith in the inspired Scriptures that point to the grace that is to come as suffering leads to glory—1 Peter 1:10–12.

AVAILABLE ON



NEXT WEEK | LUKE 19:1-10

Need a Bible? Please take a free one from the cart at the back of the room!

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