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. Your next opportunity to participate is **December 12.**

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.



Women

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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ELDERS

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Bill Gowan Phil Ringman Larry Schmeltzer Kenneth Sultemeier

Go to gcwf.link/elders to learn more about our elders.

LEADERSHIP STAFF

Lance Bourgeois	Reggie Coe	Blake Boyd	Nolen Smith
Senior Pastor	Chaplain	Worship	High School & College
Derek Hughes	Joe Cook	Geoff Meador	Caleb Levell
Executive Pastor	Middle Adults	Communications	Middle & High School
Amy Berry	Caleb Carmichael		Josh Fernberg

Children

Young Adults



We look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus with you throughout the month of December, especially when we gather together at the following times:

Sunday, December 12 — 8:00 AM and **10:45 AM** worship services *Regular Sunday morning schedule. Children's programs through grade 3 at 10:45 only.*

Sunday, December 19 — 8:00 AM and **10:45 AM** worship services

Regular Sunday morning schedule. Children's programs through grade 3 at 10:45 only.

Friday, December 24 — **3:00 PM** and **5:00 PM** Christmas Eve services One hour in length. Childcare for nursery-aged children only at both times.

Sunday, December 26 — 10:45 AM family worship service *No connecting hour classes. Childcare for nursery-aged children only.*

Sunday, January 2 — **10:45 AM** family worship service No connecting hour classes. Childcare for nursery-aged children only.

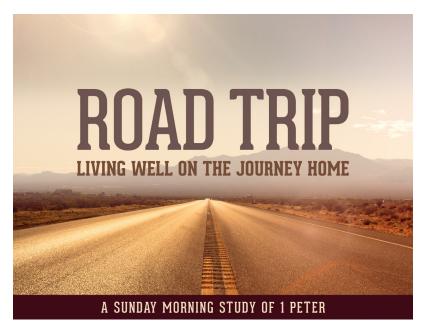




Community groups are a great way to connect with others in a smaller setting. If you would like to learn more, scan the QR code to fill out the form or call the church office and we will get in touch with you!



The Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign raises money to support those in need. Join us as we partner with them this Saturday at United Market Street. You can sign up at the Welcome Center for a two hour timeslot between 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM or call the church office.



WELCOME

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we're glad you've joined us this morning in worship. Today we're concluding *Road Trip*, our study of the book of 1 Peter. In this book of the Bible we receive guidance on how to live well as spiritual exiles in a land that is not ultimately our home. Thanks for being here!

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Next time you're offered a bulletin, consider giving these two smartphone apps a try instead! Together they help us save resources and make the information you need easy to locate and share.







church center

YouVersion

Church Center is the best tool we've ever offered our church family to stay informed and connected with everything that's going on at Grace Church. You can explore the calendar, sign up for upcoming events, manage your online giving, and keep in touch with your small groups and ministry teams.

YouVersion is the most widely-used Bible app, and in its Events feature (under the *More* menu) we offer our teaching outline, Bible references, discussion questions, and important announcements every Sunday morning.

Both apps available in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

Worship Service

Today, 8:00-9:15 AM in the Auditorium

Family Hour &

Today, 9:30-10:30 AM

Worship Service &

Today, 10:45 AM–Noon in the Auditorium

Community Groups &

Today, 5:30-7:30 PM in various homes

OUTREACH

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Saturday, 8:00 AM-8:00 PM at United Market Street

WOMEN

Christmas Social

Monday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the Gym

WEDNESDAY TRACKS

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Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in room 209

COLLEGE

LateNight

Tuesday, 8:00–9:30 PM at the Gym

Discussion Questions

In what ways does the enemy scheme against you personally? How do you resist those schemes? What does it practically look like to put on the armor of God? How might 1 Peter 5:10 help give you perspective in difficult seasons?

★ New this week

& Childcare available

FAMILY MATTERS

Please pray for Jodie Van Camp and family as they grieve the passing of her husband.

Please pray for Pinky Anzaldua and Sharon Huffstutler as they grieve the passing of their sister.

Please pray for Kathy and Mike Dickerson as they grieve the passing of her mother.

MESSAGE | 1 PETER 5:1-14

Road Trip, Lesson 9: A Humble Pathway through the Suffering Lance Bourgeois. Senior Pastor

- Pursue a Shepherd: Look to the undershepherds the Lord has provided— 1 Peter 5:1–4.
 - **A.** God has provided "undershepherds" to nurture, guide, protect, and guard local assemblies—1 Peter 5:1–3.
 - **B.** The faithful undershepherds will be rewarded for their ministry when Jesus returns—1 *Peter 5:4*.
- II. Pursue Humility: Cultivate an attitude of humility—1 Peter 5:5–7.
 - A. Follow the spiritual leadership of your local elders—1 Peter 5:5a.
 - **B.** Abandon all pretenses with fellow believers—1 Peter 5:5b.
 - C. Submit to the Lord's work because He is devoted—1 Peter 5:6-7.
- III. Pursue Vigilance: Be on guard against Satan and his schemes to discredit the Lord—1 Peter 5:8–9.
 - A. Be alert because Satan is seeking to devour believers—1 Peter 5:8.
 - **B.** Rely on the Lord's strengthening to resist Satan—1 Peter 5:9a.
 - **C.** Recognize that all believers face these attacks—1 Peter 5:9b.
- **IV. Pursue Grace:** Depend on God to provide everything necessary to remain firm in the faith—1 Peter 5:10–11.
 - **A.** God restores (to put in order, to mend, to reestablish, to make whole)—1 *Peter 5:10a.*
 - **B.** God confirms (to set up, to fix firmly, to establish)—1 Peter 5:10b.
 - **C.** God strengthens (to make strong)—1 Peter 5:10c.
 - **D.** God establishes (to make a foundation, to provide a solid foundation, to ground firmly)—1 Peter 5:10d–11.
- V. Closing Thoughts: Stand firm in the true grace of God—1 Peter 5:12-14.
 - **A.** In the midst of suffering, find encouragement in relationships with your brothers and sisters in Christ—1 Peter 5:12–14a.
 - **B.** In the midst of suffering, find peace in Christ—1 Peter 5:14b.

AVAILABLE ON

YouVersion EVENTS

NEXT WEEK | HOPE FOR OUR SITUATION

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

> MY NOTES ·<

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	MY FAVORITE SONG:
	BIBLE VERSES WE READ:
	SOMETHING I LEARNED:
	QUESTIONS I HAVE:
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