

## GRACE ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday 10/4

- **Jr. & Sr. High Sunday School**  
10:30am - Ed Bldg
- **College SS Class**  
10:30am - Ed Bldg Rm 706
- **Sunday Evening (Ed Bldg)**  
5:30pm - Prayer

### Tuesday 10/6

- **Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group**  
7pm - Ed Building
- **Men's Study: Eat, Drink, & Be Merry** by  
Ray Ortland (Pastor Benji teaching)  
7pm - Rm 108

### Wednesday 10/7

- **Men's Bible Study**  
6:30am - Rm 108
- **Community Bible Study**  
10am - Ed Building
- **AWANA**  
6:15pm - Main Building
- **Everyday Evangelism w/Pastor Benji**  
6:45pm - Grace Commons

### Saturday 10/10

- **Puzzles & Praise**  
1pm - Grace Hall



## FINANCIAL REPORT

|                                                         | <u>September</u> | <u>YTD</u>       |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| General Fund Giving<br>(excludes rent and other income) | \$74,510         | \$648,318        |
| Expenditures                                            | \$75,367         | \$665,779        |
| Giving Above Expenditures                               | <b>-\$856</b>    | <b>-\$17,460</b> |
| Mortgage Reduction                                      | \$3,236          | \$42,441         |

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### **Pastoral Hours**

M - Th 8:30am - 4:30pm

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### **Front Office**

M - Th 8:30am - 4:30pm, Fri 8:30am - 12pm

GRACE SANTA MARIA

“BUT  
THE  
LORD  
GOD  
HELPS  
ME”

ISAIAH 50:7

MAKING DISCIPLE-MAKING DISCIPLES

## WELCOME TO GRACE!

Welcome to worship at Grace! It is good to have you with us.  
If you are new to Grace, we would love to meet you and help you get connected. Please stop by the Welcome Center after the service!



### PUZZLES & PRAISE

**Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**1pm-3pm Grace Hall**

Come join us for an  
afternoon of Snacks,  
Puzzles, and Praise.

*Sign up at the table in the  
foyer near Grace Cafe'*



### Contend for the Coast Conference

Asking God to move in our time &  
in our region  
**October 8 - 10th**



**Making Disciple- Making Disciples**

## MORNING LINEUP

### Call to Worship

*Beautiful Life*

**New City Catechism**

**Responsive Reading**

*How Great Is Our God*

*Amazing Grace*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Payer Of Confession and  
Celebration**

**Sermon**

**Communion**

*Before The Throne Of God*

*Victory In Jesus*

**Benediction**

## TODAY AT GRACE

**October 4th, 2026**

**Morning Service**

**@ 9:00 & 10:30am**

*"When You Want to Call Fire  
Down on Your Enemies"*

**Luke 9:51-62**

[https://youtube.com/live/\\_ktCYsDiOdw](https://youtube.com/live/_ktCYsDiOdw)

**Pastor Benji**



### SUNDAYS AT GRACE

Come join a Sunday School class and experience Gospel community!

9:00am - Gary Barron, Rm 503

*(The Commons, near Grace Café)*

10:30am - Kurt Mason, Rm 503

10:30am - Kevin Baldizon, Grace Hall

10:30am - Sermon Discussion , Rm 706 Ed Bldg.

### PRAYER TONIGHT

**@ 5:30pm**

**Ed Building**

### NEED PRAYER?

Our Elders & Deacons will be  
available to pray with you  
Sunday morning after 1st and  
2nd service in front of the  
stage in the sanctuary.



# Grace Baptist Prayer List

## For Week of October 4, 2026

### PRAY FOR AWAKENING

#### YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Pray that you and your family will grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ.

*"Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."* 2 Peter 3:18

### PRAISES:

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

- **Kelly Dreyer** (Kathy Swihart's daughter) - There will be a service for **Kathy Swihart**, but not right away. It is still in the planning stages we will let you know once a date is set. Please keep praying for **Mark** and the family.
- **Phillip & Graciela Weber** - Phillip's *Achilles heel* surgery went very well on Friday morning and he has little pain. Pray that Phillip recovers well and that he will adjust to walking with the cast on his left foot. Thank you for your prayers.
- **Margalit Friedman** - (Global Worker) Please continue in prayer for healing from a very serious tooth/gum infection that has destroyed part of the bone underneath. She's undergoing treatment and will need an implant. Pray that the remaining bone won't reject it.
- **Carmen Herman** – We have a prodigal son. Praying for his identity in Christ ALONE. May he hunger and thirst for a relationship in Christ Jesus. Thank you!
- **Don & Pauline Fabian** - Please pray for **Don**. His immune system is basically negligible due to leukemia, and he also has a small spot of skin cancer on his ear.
- **Beth Watts** - Please pray for my brother, **Brian**. He was recently diagnosed with colon cancer and is awaiting results so that he can start treatment. Above all, please pray that his heart will be softened and he will return to Christ.
- **Michael Shaw** - My cousin **Benny** has been diagnosed with lymphoma. Pray for healing and for him to trust Jesus through this.
- **David & Cordelia Rackley** - Please pray. **Cordelia** has been diagnosed with dementia. May Jesus minister his comfort, strength, and mercy upon David & Cordelia.
- **Bonnie Chisum** - My son **Bobby** is still doing good. Continue to pray that he will be able to get a kidney transplant.

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# Grace Baptist Prayer List

- **Jeremy & Bethany Espino** - Pray for Bethany's overall health from Rheumatoid Arthritis. She has a very aggressive form. Thank you for all the love and support you have shown us!

### PRAYING FOR OUR GLOBAL PARTNERS

**Bruce & Roseni Welmerink** – Celebrate Recovery / Brazil

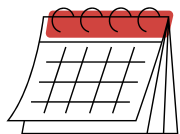
**Eric & Samantha MacLeod** - (Wycliffe) Please pray for their family, life, and work balance, along with homeschooling. Pray for Samantha's parents, *Leo & Diana*, as they help care for all 3 of the children on Wednesdays. Praise God that the children can attend a local AWANA group close to Sam's parents.

**Kelley McCutchen**- (The Navigators) Gracious Lord, thank you for the ways you are helping the *Navigators' Care Team* restructure their department. Please continue to help them make adjustments well, and to be able to minister deeply to the Navigators' staff.

#### **Do You Have A Prayer Request?**

To submit your prayer request by email:  
[prayer@gracesantamaria.org](mailto:prayer@gracesantamaria.org)

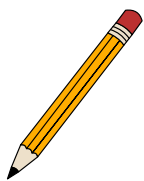
# CHURCH BBQ



**SUNDAY OCTOBER 11**  
**5PM IN THE GYM**



**HOT DOG MEAL \$5**  
**TRI-TIP MEAL \$15**  
**BRING DESSERT TO SHARE**



**SIGN UP/PAY IN THE CAFE**  
**OR USE QR CODE**



## Sermon Notes

October 4th, 2026

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**"When You Want to Call Fire Down on Your Enemies"**  
**Luke 9:51-62**

Pastor Benji Magness



## Church Library News

September 2026

A few adult readers have been enjoying three mystery series published by Guideposts. They are fairly easy to read and you can count on Guidepost to produce enjoyable fiction. Each series of 24 is captivating and readers can't seem to wait for the next edition to be shelved. Try them. **Martha's Vineyard Mysteries, Whistle Stop Café Mysteries, or Secrets from Grandma's Attic.**

A nice book for the youngsters is **It's Fun Finding Out About Bible Times**. This recently donated book is well illustrated in a clear style children love to look at. Topics: How people lived and worked in Bible lands; the clothes they wore; the food they ate; plants and animals of Bible times; how people farmed and traveled; the boyhood of Jesus and the stories He told.

Another favorite of your librarian is **The Master: A Life of Jesus** by John Pollock. It is a very interesting gripping story of Jesus as seen through the eyes of the disciple John. I found it hard to put down. This paperback is published by Scripture Press. **232.1**

Lead librarian Ric Skamfer grew up in the Lutheran faith. Thus, he had to learn from and memorize much of **Luther's Catechism**. So much of that doctrine is compatible with our Baptist faith. Youngsters are not introduced to a catechism these days. Our former pastor Duane Johnson lamented this and produced a Baptist Catechism (*revised by Dr. John Piper*) for us.

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I have copies of various catechisms for you, even a condensed pocket-sized version, to summarize the Christian faith. **238**

I can't recommend a better series for children to read than the **Standard Bible Story Readers** series. These five book classics have large print and are a must for all children to quickly learn about the many famous people found in our Bibles. They are well illustrated. This adult still enjoys reading them. Has your child read them?

Have you ever strolled into our library? You may be amazed to discover the wide variety of resources found there. We even have a unique old technology **Viewmaster** set with lots of Bible stories to view. We encourage all to visit us. Encourage your youngsters as well to utilize our resources. 😊

