

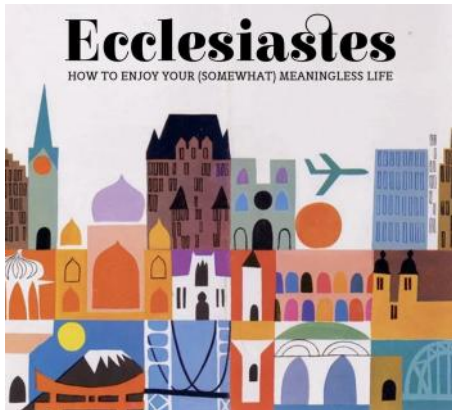


I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES.

JOHN 15:5

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*We exist to ignite
a passion in every
person to glorify and
enjoy God everywhere
and in everything.*



SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE 9:00am & 10:30am

**"I Trust Jesus but He Really
Confuses Me"**

Ecclesiastes 8:1-17

Pastor Benji

<https://youtube.com/live/-GeCp5U535M>

The Lord is a stronghold for the
oppressed, a stronghold in times of
trouble. And those who know your
name put their trust in you, for you,
O Lord, have not forsaken those who
seek you.

Psalm 9:9-10 ESV

What Our Kids Need Most

* The church staff is currently going through the "Gentle and Lowly" study in our staff meetings, and we will include quotes from the book here each week.

And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. Acts 20:32

"What is it that the children whom we greet in the hallways of our church need? Most deeply? Yes, they need friends, and encouragement, and academic support, and good square meals. But might it be that the truest need, the thing that will sustain and oxygenate them when all these other vital needs go unmet, is a sense of the attractiveness of who Jesus is for them? How he actually feels about them?

With our own kids, if we are parents, what's our job? That question could be answered with a hundred valid responses. But at the center, our job is to show our kids that even our best love is a shadow of a greater love. To put a sharper edge on it: to make the tender heart of Christ irresistible and unforgettable. Our goal is that our kids would leave the house at eighteen and be unable to live the rest of their lives believing that their sins and sufferings repel Christ." (p. 100)

- Dane Ortland

Announcements

OCTOBER 26TH

**SINGLE SERVICE SUNDAY!
@ 10:30**

**NO COFFEE AND DONUTS @ 9:45!
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**CHILDCARE AVAILABLE FOR NURSERY
AND TODDLERS DURING THE SERVICE.**

CHURCH BBQ PICNIC @ 12:30!

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP!

TRI-TIP BBQ PICNIC

BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE!

12:30 PM



**OCTOBER
26**

**\$15
ADULTS
+ STUDENTS**

**\$10
CHILDREN
(6TH GRADE
+ BELOW)**



**@ Pioneer Park
1150 West Foster Road**

All of October is **PASTOR & STAFF Appreciation Month**

LET'S SHOW EXTRA
KINDNESS TO THE
PASTORS & CHURCH
STAFF THIS OCTOBER!

LET'S BLESS THEM
WITH CARDS, TREATS,
AND THANK YOUS ALL
MONTH LONG!

CHRISTMAS IN THE FALL

**GIVING A LITTLE EXTRA TO OUR
GLOBAL WORKERS**



**Donate
Online**



Please consider giving a special offering to the fund, and we will send a financial gift to each of them in December. There is a gift box on the Global Outreach table in which you may drop your gift. Checks should be written out to Grace Baptist Church. Or you may give online through our church's website or app - Fund: Christmas in Fall.

Kickback 2025



**10/31-11/2
Bonus Day 10/30-10/31
Grace Youth**

james@gracesantamaria.org



KICKBACK 2025

**Junior High and High School
(7th-12th Grades)
@ Lopez Canyon Conference
Grounds**

**Oct 31 – Nov 2
(Bonus Day Oct 30 – Oct 31)**

**Cost: \$200 Fri – Sun (3 Day)
\$75 Thu – Fri (Bonus Day)
\$250 Thu – Sun (4 Day)**

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**Stop by our
“Thankful Tree” near
the Grace Café and
share what you’re
thankful for.
Read others’
thankfulness and be
encouraged.**

Puzzle and Praise

**October 18th, 2025
1pm - 4pm Grace Hall**

Come join us for an
afternoon of snacks, puzzles,
and praise.

**Sign up at the table in the
foyer near the Grace Café.**



*If you have any questions
please text or call David Schroeder
at 805-717-0213*