

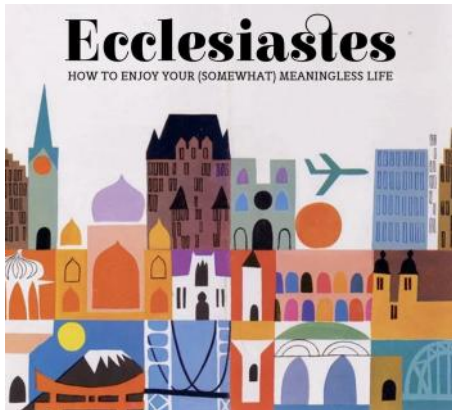


I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES.

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

9:00 & 10:30am

"God is Always Doing 10,000
Things in Your Life"

Ecclesiastes 11:1-10

Pastor Benji

<https://youtube.com/live/EkByNaOHqLM>



Take Your Dark Miseries to Him

* 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.

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55:6-9

"Remember, when we speak of God's heart, we're speaking of the spring-loaded tilt of his affections, his natural bent, the regular flow of who he is and what he does... Our lethargic apprehensions of the uproarious joy of divine pardoning lower the ceiling on whom we perceive God to be, but they do not limit who God in fact is. 'God is infinitely compassionate and infinitely ready to forgive, so that it ought to be ascribed exclusively to our unbelief, if we do not obtain pardon from him.' (John Calvin)

God's heart of compassion confounds our intuitive predilections about how he loves to respond to his people if they would but dump in his lap the ruin and wreckage of their lives.

He isn't like you. Even the most intense of human love is but the faintest echo of heaven's cascading abundance. His heartfelt thoughts for you outstrip what you can conceive. He intends to restore you into the radiant resplendence for which you were created. And that is dependent not on you keeping yourself clean but on you taking your mess to him. He doesn't limit himself to working with the unspoiled parts of us that remain after a lifetime of sinning. His power runs so deep that he is able to redeem the very worst parts of our past into the most radiant parts of our future. But we need to take those dark miseries to him." (p.160-161)

- Dane Ortlund



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, Nov. 22nd @ 8am.

Men of Grace are invited for breakfast and a time of fellowship.

Our guest speaker is
Christopher Williams,
the Chief of Police, Santa Maria

Cost is \$4

*Sign ups at the table near
Grace Café*



MERRY & BRIGHT

Please join us to kick off Advent & the Christmas season!

Coffee & Donuts
Kids crafts & games
One family service

30 | Sunday
November
9:45am

Grace Santa Maria
605 E. McCoy Lane



Stop by our "Thankful Tree"
near the Grace Café and
share what you're thankful
for. Read others' thankfulness
and be encouraged.

Announcements

NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

NOVEMBER 16TH @ 9:00AM Room 504, next to our fellowship lounge
Our membership classes are geared for those wanting to become Grace Baptist Church members or needing more information about who we are as a church.

GUEST SPEAKER Missionary Zack Powell

(Global Missionary with Servant Partners) will be preaching in both the 9am & 10:30am services on Sunday morning, **November 16th.**

PRAYER GATHERING

Sundays @ 5:30pm/Ed Building

No 6pm Evening Service

Evening study will resume in January 2026!



Preliminary Budget Meeting **Sunday November 23rd at 6 P.M.**

Join us in the Chapel as we discuss the proposed 2026 budget. This is the only time to ask questions about or suggest changes to the budget. Copies of the 2026 preliminary budget will be available at the Welcome Center on Sunday November 16. We will vote on the 2026 budget at the annual business meeting on December 7.

This is an important time for discussion, prayer, and reflection as we consider the 2026 budget and the year of ministry ahead. The Elders strongly encourage all families to attend. Congregants are also invited to submit questions to the board regarding the budget, church vision, or other church matters. Please submit them to the following email by Monday, November 17:

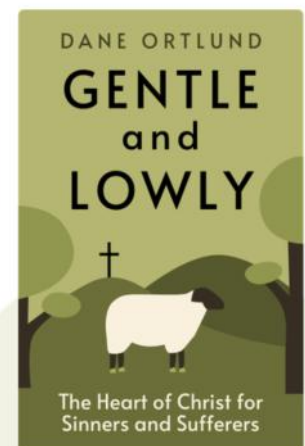
elders@gracesantamaria.org



Please enjoy
our fellowship
lounge in
Room 505.

NEED PRAYER?

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



wednesdays @ 6:45 pm

LED BY PASTOR BENJI IN GRACE COMMONS