



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.*



**THE REAL JESUS
for THE REAL YOU.**
AN EXPOSITION OF THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

9am & 10:30am

"And You Shall Call His Name
'Pele-Joez-El-Gibbor-Abi-Ad-
Sar-Shalom, or 'Jesus'
For Short"

Luke 1:26-56

https://youtube.com/live/V_gj7xbbG2Q

Pastor Benji

Weird Instruments and Midnight Services

I love midnight Christmas Eve services even if it wasn't quite a tradition because we didn't always include it. One Christmas Eve after the 3 hour drive from SLO to Fullerton, I joined my dad and grandma at EV Free Fullerton (Swindoll's church) for the Midnight Service where a guy had made the weirdest guitar. It had extra strings and an extra soundbox, like strapping a violin or a ukelele to the neck of a classical guitar. It was the weirdest stringed instrument ushering in the joy of Christmas day.

Make your December one filled with joyous songs celebrating the incarnation of Christ (v.2). Fill your day with some weird sounds from weird instruments (v.3-5) that catch your attention and point you to Christ. Let cold(ish) winter nights, donkeys and sheep, and armies of angels (150:6) direct your thoughts toward Jesus.

Join us Sunday Mornings and Christmas Eve at 5pm as we sing the songs of Christmas, Emmanuel!

- Pastor James

150 Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty heavens!

² Praise him for his mighty deeds;

praise him according to his excellent greatness!

³ Praise him with trumpet sound;

praise him with lute and harp!

⁴ Praise him with tambourine and dance;

praise him with strings and pipe!

⁵ Praise him with sounding cymbals;

praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!



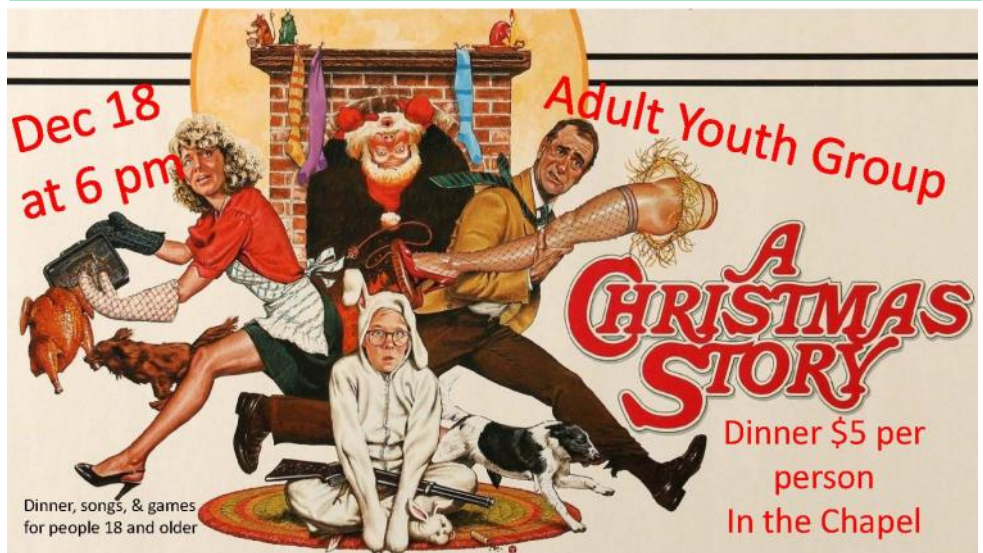
Announcements

MORTGAGE UPDATE:

Since August, we have received an additional \$113,956 for mortgage reduction. We also received \$41,820 for mortgage reduction. This now reduces our monthly payment to approximately \$2,500. Thank you for giving sacrificially and glory to Jesus for His faithfulness!

YEAR - END - GIFTS

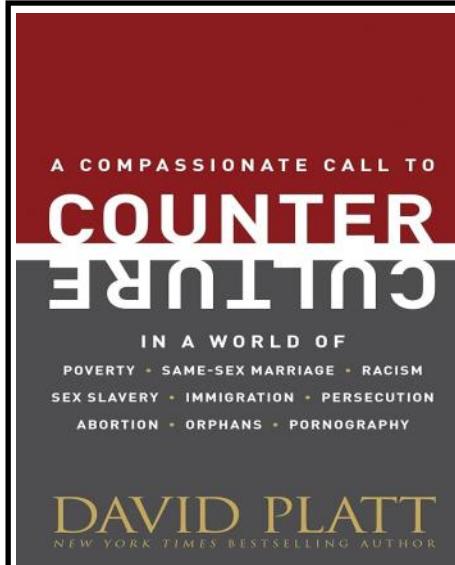
In order for year- end donations to be receipted in 2025, your gift must be hand delivered to the church office or postmarked by December 31st. If the church office is closed, please place your donation in the 605 Mailbox. Gifts delivered or postmarked in January will be considered a 2026 donation. Thank you!



Counter/Culture

Join the six week small group meeting Sunday nights, Ed Building 6:00pm - 7:15pm, beginning January 11 and facilitated by Chet Harter III. No signup necessary.

Please see the insert in your Sunday bulletin for more info.



NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

January 18th

@ 10:30am Rm 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.

The Church Office will be closed December 24th, 25th and January 1st. Also, office hours are limited starting Wednesday, December 26th through Friday, January 2nd.

Call ahead to make sure we are here.

