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GRACE TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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“Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die” John 11:25

Dear Church Family,

As we approach Resurrection Sunday, our hearts are filled with gratitude and joy as we celebrate the victory of our Risen Savior.

Scripture declares in Matthew 28:6, “He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.”

This is the greatest message the world has ever known, Jesus Christ is alive! Because He lives, there is hope for the lost, forgiveness for sinners, and eternal life for all who believe.

But may I gently remind us of something important: Resurrection Sunday is not just for us; it is for those who are not yet in Christ.

Before our Sunday celebration, we have a wonderful opportunity to bless our neighbors. We will have a Community Easter Party, Saturday beginning at 11 a.m. and ending at 1 p.m. It will be a joyful outreach event for families and friends. Let’s come ready to welcome, encourage, and share the hope of Christ.

Then on Sunday morning, we will gather to celebrate the resurrection together. We will begin with a Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. on the front lawn weather permitting, if not we will have it inside. It will be followed by a Celebration Breakfast at 8 a.m. in fellowship hall and then by our joint Easter Service at 9 a.m.

Easter reminds us of the greatest victory ever won. Jesus conquered sin, death, and the grave.

Because of His resurrection our salvation is secure, we have an unbreakable hope, and our mission is clear; to share the good news with others.

This is a season not only to celebrate but also to invite, reach, and welcome those who need the hope of Christ.

Our designated giving account for the month is VBS. If you feel led and able to give, your support helps us prepare for one of our biggest outreach opportunities of the year. Vacation Bible School is a time when many children, some who may never have heard the gospel, encounter the love of Jesus in a meaningful way. What a joy to invest in young hearts and plant seeds that can last a lifetime.

Church family, I would like to thank you for the way you pray, serve, and support the ministry of our church. Your faithfulness is a blessing, and it strengthens everything we do together.

Thank you, Pastor Marco

Come to a Place of Grace

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 Good Friday Office Closed | 4 Community Easter Party |
| 5 Easter Sunday | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 Deacons Meeting | 13 | 14 VBS Leader Training | 15 | 16 Congreso (Student Ministry) | 17 | 18 Women’s Ministry |
| 19 VBS Leaders/ Volunteers Mtg. | 20 | 21 Tuesday at the Tower | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 Men’s Ministry Youth Spring Worship Night |
| 26 Joint Svc Family Day at the Park | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | |

Wednesday’s Schedule

5:30 - 6:15 PM Fellowship Meal
 6:30 PM Bible Study
 Students, Single Young Adults,
 English & Spanish Adults, Children

Sunday’s Schedule

9:30-10:45 AM English Worship/
 Spanish Bible Study
 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM Spanish Worship/
 English Bible Study



Women's Ministry

All Grace Temple women are encouraged to attend this monthly gathering.

You'll enjoy food, fellowship, and a Bible study titled "Our Generous God" based on Luke 12:22-34 and Matthew 6:1-4.

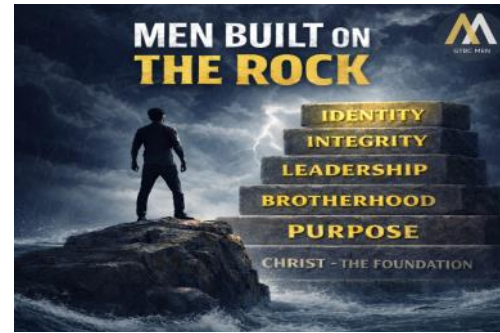
We look forward to seeing you April 18 at 9:30 AM



Tuesday at the Tower

Each month we meet and share a devotion, maybe a cup of coffee or snack, and enjoy a fun and engaging time with our neighbors. This month we will enjoy a Spring Hymn Sing and fellowship with our friends at the Tyler Street Tower.

Join us on Tuesday, April 21 at 6:00 PM



Men's Ministry

Calling all Grace Temple men to be a part of this monthly men's discipleship gathering designed to strengthen every area of a man's life.

We'll continue with our monthly study series: "Men Built on the Rock: Identity - Integrity - Leadership - Brotherhood - Purpose"

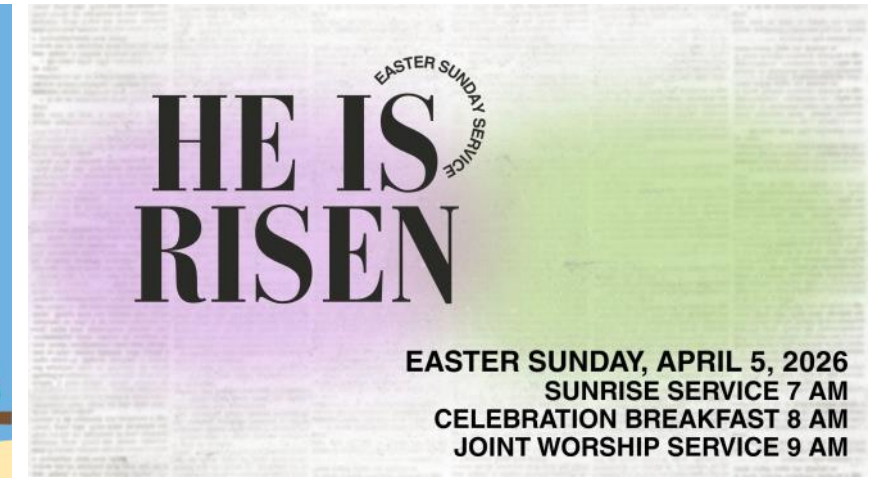
Saturday, April 25 at 9:30 AM



Community Easter Party

Join us on the lawn for a joyful celebration of the resurrection!

The celebration will include a bounce house, music, food, games, and a candy hunt. One of the highlights of the celebration will be the Easter Story stations, where our guests will learn about the significance of Easter through a fun and interactive activity.



Easter Sunday

Join us on the GTBC lawn for a beautiful Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. followed by a delicious Celebration Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 a.m. We'll conclude the morning with a Joint Worship Service in the Sanctuary at 9:00 a.m.

You're welcome to join us for all the events, or join us early that morning at sunrise and stay for breakfast, or come for breakfast and stay for the worship service - whatever suits you best.

Invite a friend to come share this special day!



Spring Worship Night Saturday, April 25

Grace students in 7-12 grade will enjoy an evening filled with music, s'mores, a campfire, games, and, of course, wonderful fellowship. They will engage in a time of worship through music and a short devotional.

Students, don't miss this annual event. It's sure to be a wonderful night.



Financial Information February 2026

Budget Income \$17,592.89
Budget Expenses \$33,706.73
Designated Giving \$5,375.10
Designated Spending \$1,706.82

Thank you for your faithful giving!



Thank you for giving to the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** We exceeded our goal, having received \$1915.00 for North American Missions.

Benevolence

\$450.00 was given towards last month's designated emphasis. Grace Temple will be able to help those in need through your gifts.



Designated Giving

This month's designated giving emphasis is on **Vacation Bible School** Our goal is \$1000. Gifts can be made during the offering (cash or check) or online on our website or the Realm app.