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Welcome to the Lord's day worship service at Grace Church

We are truly blessed to be here this morning as we open God's Word together, sing His praises, and enjoy a time of fellowship in His presence.

Be sure to take advantage of the many fellowship and ministry opportunities available to our church family today and throughout the week.



8:30 & 10:30* am

Symphony No. 5: Toccata • Widor • Stephen Sturz, Organist

Hymn 36 *Immortal*, *Invisible* • Congregation Hymn 31 *This Is My Father's World*

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name • Ellor/Rice • Organ, Orchestra

Battle Hymn of the Republic • Steffe/Wilhousky • Worship Choir

Hymn 11 All Creatures of Our God and King • Congregation

Draw Me Nearer • Andrews-Farren/Rice • Grace Chung

MESSAGE: TAKE ME TO THE RIVER

Paul Twiss • Ezekiel 47:1–12

Symphony No. 2: Finale • Widor • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Piano Prelude • Mark Rice

Hymns of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Tom Patton

MESSAGE: A WORKOUT THAT WORKS

Josh Petras • Philippians 2:12–13

Anthem

Battle Hymn of the Republic

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword: His truth is marching on, Gloria!

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps; They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps; I can read His righteous sentence in the dim and flaring lamps, His day is marching on!

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me; As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, While God is marching on!

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

Congregation joins

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

Amen! Amen!

Lyrics by Julia W. Howe (1861); music by John William Steffe (1862)

^{*} Interpreting for the deaf is provided during the 10:30 a.m. service. Arabic and Korean translation for the 10:30 a.m. service is available at gracechurch.org/live. A limited number of headsets are available at the front desk for simultaneous translation.

Campus Ministries

THE WELCOME CENTER hosts a reception for visitors following each Sunday-morning service. Enjoy refreshments and find helpful people with answers to any questions you have about our church. You'll also receive one of Pastor MacArthur's books as a thank you for being with us today.

THE MEMBER CENTER has information about membership and baptism. It is located on the north side of the Heritage Building, across from the Welcome Center.

Next Membership Class • August 7 101 • 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. • T375

THE PRAYER ROOM is staffed with counselors, ready to offer pastoral care. It is open after every service, and is adjacent to the Worship Center.

On GraceWalk

- Fundamentals of the Faith
- Local Outreach

On the Patio

- Adopt-a-Teen
- Spanish Ministries (by the Chapel)

Bookstore

The Bookstore is open after each service and during the week. It is located on the south side of the Worship Center.

HIGHLIGHT

VISUAL THEOLOGY

by Tim Challies

Visual Theology presents the concepts and principles of systematic theology using graphic displays and text that go hand-in-hand. This unique resource helps you connect the truth of the Bible to life application.



"Sound theology with readable, inviting style." —Wayne Grudem

"A resource that will be of immense help to believers in our visual age." —Nancy Leigh DeMoss

Available today only for 30% off retail price

Generations of Grace Children's Sunday School

The following lesson was taught today in Sunday School (Preschool through Juniors)



MESSAGE God Establishes the Priesthood

PASSAGE Leviticus 9:22–10:7

PRINCIPLE Man needs a mediator to come before God.

HYMN OF THE MONTH "Take My Life and Let It Be"

ASK YOUR CHILD What happened to the two priests who disobeyed God's commands?

APPLY By worshiping God with the right attitudes and actions.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Leviticus 9:22–10:7.

NEXT WEEK Leviticus 11–16

Adapted from the Generations of Grace Family Devotional, available at the bookstore.

Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio

Pitfalls of Christian Liberty

• KKLA 99.5 FM LOS ANGELES M—F 6:30 am & 7:30 pm

 \bullet KDAR 98.3 FM oxnard-ventura $\,$ M–F 2:00 & 10:00 am; Sun 2:00 am

TELEVISION gty.org/television

"The End of the Universe, Part 2"

• NRBTV CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

ONLINE gty.org

- Sunday sermons
- Audio archive: John MacArthur's pulpit ministry
- Resource library: books, study guides, videos, Q&As All audio is available for free listening or downloading.

EXERCISING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVANGELISM

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded. -Matthew 28:19

> One of the wonderful things that characterizes Grace Church is how seriously we take the Great Commission. It is always such an encouragement to thumb through our missionary calendar or walk by the east wall of the Worship Center and see the pictures of these faithful servants who are spread across the globe. We love hearing the reports from the field of sinners repenting and

believing in the Lord lesus, churches growing and being strengthened, and pastors and leaders being trained to rightly divide the Word of Truth. God's Word is doing its work, and our mission is being fulfilled.

But not everyone has to cross oceans to obey the Great Commission. In fact, for many of us, we don't even have to cross the street. Here in Los Angeles, the Lord has truly brought the nations to us. People in our own neighborhood need to hear the gospel, and God has granted us the privilege of bringing it to them.

One of the ways Grace Church does that is through sports outreach ministries. Every

Monday evening, we open our gymnasium to the community. At 5:30 the gym is set up for volleyball, and 15-20 young men and women come to use the court. At 8:00 the set-up changes, and 20–40 men come to play basketball. After playing for about an hour or so, each group takes a break to hear a clear presentation of the gospel. After this break for physical rest and spiritual nourishment, play resumes for another hour or so.

For many of these visitors from the community, that gospel presentation is the only exposure to Christ that they will have in any given week. Many of them hear the gospel preached

clearly for the first time in the gym. The ministry also gives us the opportunity to model Christ's patience and love by competing in a way that honors Him. And while waiting between games, members of our church family are able to personally engage these new friends, building relationships that hopefully lead to more gospel opportunities.

There are many ways for you to be involved in sports outreach. The first and most important way is to pray. Grace Church doesn't advertise that we have an open gym on Monday nights. The Lord has sovereignly brought these dear people to our doorstep through relationships and word-of-mouth. Please

> continue to pray that He would bring the right people, and that He would be pleased to call people to Himself through the preaching of His gospel.

Second, you can join us on a Monday evening. We would love to have more members of our church family come and demonstrate Christ's love both on

Finally, you can invite your unsaved friends to join you for some fun and exercise, confident that they will hear the gospel faithfully preached. It can certainly provide a good

topic of conversation for the ride home.

Sports outreach is a great opportunity to exercise both your body and your spiritual gifts. And who knows? Perhaps the Lord will use a friendly pick-up game as a tool to equip you to continue fulfilling our Great Commission.

For more information about sports outreach, visit gracechurch.org/local or call 818-909-5721.

SPORTS OUTREACH

Mondays in the Gymnasium

5:30 p.m. Volleyball (Men & Women)

8 p.m. Basketball (Men)

and off the court.

Sundays ■ JULY

JULY 3

8:30 a.m.

Freedom for the Captives

Counseling Those with Life-Dominating Sins Bill Shannon, Family Center 1

Surviving in Sodom

Wise Living in the Current Age George Crawford, Family Center 2

Whose Money Is It, Anyway?

Exploring the New Testament Pattern for Giving

John Bates, Family Center 3

Christians and Politics

Trusting God Instead of Parties or Candidates Hohn Cho, T260s

Tying the Knot, Part 1

What Young People Need to Know About Marriage

Dave Muxlow, T360s

Raising Biblical Men

Parenting Boys to Produce God-Honoring Men Chris Hamilton, T370s 10:30 a.m.

The Cost of Devotion

A Biographical Sketch of Adoniram Judson Brad Klassen, Family Center 1

Partnering with Parents

The Relationship of Church and Family in Raising Children

Mike Johnston, Family Center 2

Unshakable

Standing Firm in a Hostile World Rick McLean, Family Center 3

A Portrait of Faith

Lessons from the Life of Sarah Carlos Chung, T260s

Praying Our Theology, Part 1

Can We Ask God to Change His Mind? Josiah Grauman, T360s

The Perils of Pop Culture, Part 1

A Biblical Perspective on Media, Celebrity, and Music

Tom Patton, T370s

Grace Around the World

The **Battenfield** Family

Rick & Siân, Megan, Karys Serving in **England** Since **1999**

Prayer / Praise

- Pray that we would be effective in reaching those in our area for Christ.
- Pray that God would raise up leaders, pastors, and teachers that are committed to the truth of God's Word in the next generation.





Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$18,729**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world

Local Outreach Spotlight

Outreach Resource Table

The Outreach Resource Table, located on GraceWalk, provides evangelistic tools to Grace Church members at no cost. Audio CDs of Pastor John's evangelistic sermons are available in 26 different languages, along with Bibles, New Testaments, evangelism books, and tracts in various languages. For more information call 818-909-5721.

Evangelism Ministries

The Bible describes Christians as ambassadors for Christ—those who were saved to "proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9). One of the most joyful duties we have is to proclaim this great gospel to others. To this end, Grace Church members hold evangelistic Bible studies in jails, rehab centers, assisted living facilities, hospitals, and on Skid Row. Groups also go door-to-door right here in our own neighborhood.

- Acton Rehabilitation Center
- Basketball Outreach
- Castaic Jail Ministry
- Downtown Jail Ministry
- Hope Bible Study
- Neighborhood Outreach
- Skid Row Outreach
- Volleyball Outreach

For more information about any of these ministries, call 818-909-5721, or visit gracechurch.org/local.

Oh give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples.

—Psalm 105:1

Adopt-a-Teen

Please drop off any last-minute camp cartons at the patio table this morning

Jr. High Ministry

XCHANGE will not meet this morning, due to summer camp.

Worship Choir Opportunity

The Music Department is asking those who are musically gifted and can sing and read music to minister this summer in the choir. Please call 818-909-5678 for an interview. The Lord will bless you as you serve Him.

Job Opportunity

Print Shop Technician. The Grace Church Media Department has a part-time opening for an experienced printing professional who desires to serve the church. Position requires a working knowledge of digital production copiers and print finishing equipment (folder, cutter, etc.). Applicants for employment must be, if employed, biblically qualified as a deacon and be a member of Grace Church. For more information or to request an application, contact HR at HR@gracechurch.org or 818-909-5672.

Good Neighbors

As a courtesy to our neighbors, please avoid parking in front of the houses surrounding Grace Church. Instead, use one of the designated parking lots. If street parking is unavoidable, we urge you to be especially attentive to and considerate of our neighbors' comfort and property.

8:30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School Visit the Welcome Center

for room locations. Pastor: Mike Johnston

Cornerstone

(All ages) T371 Pastors: Nathan Busenitz, Mark Tatlock, Harry Walls

Doulos (Young families & singles) T361 Pastor: Carl Hargrove

FaithBuilders (All ages) T261 Pastor: Bill Shannon

GraceLife (All ages) Family Center Pastors: Phil Johnson. Mike Riccardi

Junior High (Grades 7–8) T73 (Basement) Pastor: Jay Lennington

Developmentally Disabled

TMS Library Pastor: Rick McLean

Spanish Adult Sunday **School** H221-222

Teachers: Josiah Grauman. José Soria

Spanish Worship Service Chapel

Pastors: Henry Tolopilo, Michael Mahonev

10:30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School

Visit the Welcome Center for room locations. Pastor: Mike Johnston

Crossroads

(College & young adults) Family Center Pastor: Austin Duncan

High School (Grades 9–12) T73 (Basement) Pastor: Josh Petras

Joint Heirs (All ages) T261 Pastors: Tom Patton, John Street

Mainstream (All ages) T361 Pastor: Rich Gregory, Carlos Chung

Developmentally Disabled

TMS Library Pastor: Rick McLean

Sojourners (All ages) T371 Pastor: William Varner

Spanish Adult Sunday **School** H221–222 Teachers: Rubén Pidal.

Daniel Corral

Spanish Worship Service Chapel

Pastors: Henry Tolopilo, Michael Mahonev

12:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Outreach T273

5:00 p.m.

Sunday Night Prayer Group Grace Grill (next to the Children's Center)

6:00 p.m.

Discovery (Grades 1–6) Family Center

Discovery Kids (Ages 3–5) CC134-136

Fridays 7:30 p.m.

The Guild (Single adults) T361 Pastor: Don Carr

Mondays 9:00 a.m.

Monday Morning Prayer Group Welcome Center

Building Abbreviation Key

T = TowerH = HeritageCC = Children's Center

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