## GRACE TODAY

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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

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus • Manz • Jan Sanborn, Organist

Hymn 356 *I Know Whom I Have Believed* • Congregation Hymn 354 *The Church's One Foundation* 

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship • Moore/Rice • Brass Ensemble, Organ

Jesus Shall Reign • Hatton/Kirkland • Worship Choir

**Hymn 116** *Rejoice*, *the Lord Is King* • Congregation

Hosanna! God Saves • Worley/Rice • Gay McCurley

MESSAGE: THE APOSTOLIC GOSPEL, PART 2

John MacArthur • Galatians 2:1-10

Doxology Hymn • Congregation

God of Grace and Glory • Manz • Organ Postlude

#### 6:00 pm

Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed! • Getty-Cash • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Bill Shannon

For the Cause • Getty-Townend • Offertory

MESSAGE: THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION

Mike Riccardi • 2 Corinthians 5:18–20

#### **Postlude**

#### **Instrumental Praise**

#### Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

Brethren we have met to worship And adore the Lord our God; Will you pray with all your power, While we try to preach the Word? All is vain unless the Spirit Of the Holy One comes down; Brethren, pray, and holy manna Will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely, Let us love each other too; Let us love and pray for sinners Till our God makes all things new. Then He'll call us home to heaven, At His table we'll sit down; Christ will gird Himself and serve us With sweet manna all around.

Words by George Atkins (1819); music by William Moore (1825)

#### **Doxology Hymn**

#### Hymn 81 I Am His and He Is Mine

Loved with everlasting love, Led by grace that love to know; Gracious Spirit from above, Thou hast taught me it is so! O this full and perfect peace! O this transport all divine! In a love which cannot cease, I am His, and He is mine. In a love which cannot cease, I am His, and He is mine.

To maintain a worshipful atmosphere in the services, please do not applaud after musical numbers.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.

THE GOSPEL

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#### **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 • June 4 101 • 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

- Foster Care Awareness Month
- Fundamentals of the Faith
- Local Outreach

#### On the Patio

- Camp Regen Scholarships
- Faith Promise
- Spanish Ministry (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.

#### **GRACE BOOKS HIGHLIGHT**

## THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO PAUL

by John MacArthur

"This is the right book by the right author for the right time. I urge every evangelical Christian to read this book." —Dr. Albert Mohler

"This theologically rich book is desperately needed. Here is a work that needs to be read by every person, Christian or not."

—Dr. Steve Lawson

M-F 6:30 am & 7:30 pm

#### **Generations of Grace** Children's Sunday School

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



MESSAGE God Is Glorified by Protecting Judah

PASSAGE 2 Kings 18–19

PRINCIPLE God always will glorify His name.

HYMN OF THE MONTH "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

ASK YOUR CHILD How did God answer Hezekiah's prayer?

APPLY By trusting God to do whatever will glorify His name.

THIS WEEK As a family, read selected portions of 2 Kings 18–19.

NEXT WEEK 2 Kings 21-25

TELEVISION gtv.org/television

Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio
• "Bible O&A"

#### "The Only Road to Heaven"

• Whose Money Is It, Anyway?

• KKLA 99.5 FM LOS ANGELES

• 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

KDAR 98.3 FM OXNARD-VENTURA M—F 2:00 & 10:00 am; Sun 2:00 am

All audio is available for free listening or downloading.

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

## WHY CAMP GRACE?

Special Ministries summer camps are an important part of Grace Church's ministry to the mentally and physically disabled. Each summer we conduct two camps. This year, our first camp will be held at Lake Arrowhead (June 12–15), and our second will be held at Big Basin State Park (July 17–22), where campers will have the opportunity to camp out in tents in the middle of the redwood forest.

You may be wondering, why camp? Aren't

there easier ways to serve the disabled people in our midst? Over the years, it's become apparent that there are several reasons why camp is an especially effective way to minister to those with special needs. We do camps because they create great opportunities for evangelism. The natural beauty of places like Lake Arrowhead and Big Basin gives us a chance to share about God's greatness and His love for all of His creation. As Paul writes in Romans 1:20, God reveals Himself so clearly in His creation that we "are without excuse." Using the testimony of creation, these camps are designed to introduce campers to our great Creator who gave His life for sinners on the cross.

We do camps because Christ loved the disabled. Seventy percent of

close and personal way.

Jesus's miracles involved the disabled. Since Christ reached out to the blind, deaf, paralyzed, and mentally ill throughout His ministry, we should have the same priority in our own ministry (Luke 14:12–14). Concentrated time away at camp gives us a chance to love and care for people with disabilities in a

and the needy (Matthew 25:34–40, James 1:27), and camp gives us an opportunity to do just that. Our time away with these special people gives us many opportunities to serve those who are more fragile and need special care (1 Corinthians 12:22–24).

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We do camps because we are commanded to

help the disabled. Throughout the gospels and

the New Testament epistles, we are called to

reach out to the weak, the hurting,

We do camps because we are commanded to bring the good news of salvation to all people. In Mark 16:15 Jesus said,

"Go into the world and preach the gospel to all creation." That certainly includes those with disabilities, especially since they may not have had as many ready opportunities to hear God's truth as the able-bodied. We do camps because we receive many blessings when we serve people with special needs. Sometimes camp has the greatest

impact on those who are serving. We learn patience. We are taken out of our

comfort zones, which causes us to rely on the Lord. We are stretched and challenged, and our focus is taken off ourselves. Our disabled brothers and sisters teach us about unconditional love, joy, contentment, friendship, and honesty.

There are many joys in

serving in Special Ministries, and these summer camps are just one of many opportunities we have to make a difference in someone's life for Christ. Please prayerfully consider serving alongside us. You will find incredible blessings, and your life will be enriched by serving our church family in this way.



# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN SPECIAL MINISTRIES

#### **Camp Grace**

JUNE-JULY

Our annual summer camps for the developmentally disabled include tent camping, sightseeing, and other activities. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve and make a spiritual impact on our disabled people.

#### **GRACE Club**

OCTOBER-MAY • TUESDAYS • 6:45-8:30 P.M.

More than 100 staff and club members come to participate in sports activities in the Family Center, followed by a chapel time and small group interaction.

#### **Grace on Wheels**

**SATURDAYS** 

Grace on Wheels sponsors outings that provide great opportunities for Christian fellowship and showing the love of Christ.

#### **Sunday School Classes**

8:30 AND 10:30 A.M.

A typical class includes singing, prayer, a Bible lesson, and crafts. We are in need of teachers, aides, and volunteers who can use their gifts in any of these areas.

#### **Transportation**

SUNDAYS

We help train our drivers to operate specially equipped vehicles; assistants need no special training. Drivers and assistants serve one Sunday each month.

## **Worship Service Attendant SUNDAYS**

Volunteers hold Bibles and hymnals, take notes from the sermon, and escort people back to the transportation that takes them home.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SERVING IN SPECIAL MINISTRIES, CALL PASTOR RICK MCLEAN AT 818-909-5519 OR VISIT GRACECHURCH.ORG/SPECIAL.

## **Short-Term Ministries Highlight**

Please pray for our teams as they prepare for, serve, and return from the field.

#### Team New Zealand • May 30-June 7

**Team Members:** Luke Granlund (team leader), Danielle Drake, William Ellfeldt, Raleigh Hooper, Kristen Mckay, Mark Redondo, Dale Randell, Amanda Stout, Patty Wu

**Missionary Hosts:** Greg & Traci Stephenson **Objectives:** Conducting a Vacation Bible School

#### Team Ireland • June 1-14

**Team Members:** Robert Jensen (team leader), Lauren Antariksa, Lauren Bradley, Hannah Cullen, Renee Esguerra, Jenna Jensen, Lindsey Nardone, Blake Noll, Ashley Saunders, Kristen Smith, Jeffrey West

**Hosts:** Andrew Curry, Emmanuel Baptist Church **Objectives:** Conducting a Vacation Bible School

## **Camp Grace Volunteers Needed**

June 12–15 • Lake Arrowhead July 17–22 • Santa Cruz

Our annual summer camps are wonderful opportunities to serve and make a spiritual impact on the disabled. For more information about volunteering, call Special Ministries at 818-909-5519.

### Vacation Bible School June 19-23

Register today at gracechurch.org/vbs.

## **Faith Promise**

Last week you generously gave \$11,225. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

## **Local Outreach Spotlight**

#### May is Foster Care Awareness Month

Scripture calls us to care for orphans, but have you ever wondered what that looks like practically? Visit the Kidsave table on GraceWalk on May 28 to learn how you can get involved right here in our community!

For more information about foster care and foster adoption, visit gracechurch.org/handsforhope.

## Regen 2017

#### High School Summer Camp

June 28-July 4

Registration is now open at gracechurch.org/oneighty.

#### Scholarships

Bless a high school student at camp this summer. Pick up a scholarship envelope from the patio table this morning or call 818-909-5593 for more information.

## **Job Opportunities**

**GMI Accountant.** Accounting has a full-time opening (approximately 30 hours per week) for an accountant for Grace Ministries International. Duties include maintaining the general ledger, preparing journals, processing payroll, administering grants, and preparing financial reports in Excel format. Additional duties include acting as liaison with Short-Term Ministries, and general office work as assigned. Requires a high school diploma and a minimum of two years' experience in the field or related area. Strong Excel skills an advantage, as well as knowledge of accounting concepts and practices and taxation regulations.

**Web Developer/Programmer.** The Grace Church Web team has an opening for a Web developer/programmer. Must be proficient in HTML/CSS, object-oriented programming (C#, Java, VB, or Ruby), server-side scripting (ASP, PHP), and relational databases (SQL). A degree in Computer or Information Science or equivalent experience preferred. Experience with .NET a plus.

Applicants for employment must be, if employed, biblically qualified as a deacon or deaconess and a member of Grace Church. For more information or to request an application, contact the of ce of Human Resources at hr@gracechurch.org or 818-909-5672.

## Premarital/Marriage Seminar

A prerequisite for engaged couples desiring to get married at Grace Church, this seminar is also helpful for those who are purposefully dating, as well as married couples interested in God's plan for a successful marriage.

Part 1 Friday, June 23, 7:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, June 24, 9:00 a.m.-noon Part 2 Friday, July 21, 7:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, July 22, 9:00 a.m.-noon

Instructors: Bill Shannon, George Sanders, Tom Leman • T371–372 \$35 for church members or TMS/TMC students: \$65 for non-members

For more information or to register, visit gracechurch.org/premarital or call 818-909-5537.

## Russian Outreach Bible Study Today • 12:30-2:30 p.m. • H221-222

If you speak or understand Russian, know someone who does, or have a heart to see Russian-speaking people saved, please visit one of our Sunday afternoon meetings. Join us on the fourth Sunday of each month as we pray about how to reach the Russian community in Los Angeles with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## Sojourners Women's Fellowship Spring Luncheon

Saturday, June 3 • 10:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. • T270s • Speaker: Helen Varner • Cost: \$15 All women are welcome. Call 818-887-9717 for tickets.

## **PSP Used Curriculum Sale**

Saturday, June 17 • 10:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. • Family Center For information, call Marina at 818-956-9382.

#### 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** (Singles & young families) 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** CC130E

Pastor: Rick McLean

Spanish Adult Sunday School H221-222

Teachers: Josiah Grauman, José Soria

**Spanish Worship Service** Chapel

Pastors: Henry Tolopilo, Michael Mahoney

#### 10:30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School

Special needs class available 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 Pastors: Rich Gregory, Carlos Chung

**Developmentally Disabled** CC130E 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 Mahoney

#### 12:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Outreach T273

5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Night Prayer Group** T385

#### 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 = Tower H = Heritage CC = Children's Center

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