

GRACE TODAY

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PASTOR-TEACHER

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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.

Sundays
JULY

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2-30
2017



8:30 & 10:30* am

BILL BRANDENSTEIN, DIRECTOR

Fugue in G Minor • Bach • Stephen Sturz, Organist

Hymn 18 All People That on Earth Do Dwell • Congregation

The King of Love My Shepherd Is • Trad./Pinkston-Rice
String Orchestra, Harp, Flugelhorn, Woodwinds

The Lord Is My Shepherd • Rutter • Worship Choir; Francisco Castillo, Oboe

Hymn 170 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us • Congregation

With All My Heart • Mason/Kirkland-Rice • Carmella Jones

MESSAGE: **A SOUL-STIRRING VISION OF THE GLORY OF GOD**
Steve Lawson • Ezekiel 1:1-28

Postlude in G • Cappelen • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Immortal, Invisible • Trad. • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Mike Riccardi

Hymn 405 Not in Me • Offertory

MESSAGE: **SIN IS NOT YOUR MASTER!**
Tom Pennington • Romans 6:1-2

Postlude

Anthem

The Lord is My Shepherd

The Lord is my Shepherd;
therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture,
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul,
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness,
For His Name's sake, for His Name's sake, for His Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; For Thou art with me:
Thy rod and Thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table for me
against them that trouble me:
Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

But Thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord,
in the house of the Lord forever, forever.

Lyrics based on Psalm 23; Music by John Rutter

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

* 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 6
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.

Generations of Grace Children's Sunday School

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



MESSAGE **God humbles Nebuchadnezzar**

PASSAGE **Daniel 4**

PRINCIPLE Believers humble themselves before God Most High.

HYMN OF THE MONTH "To God Be the Glory"

ASK YOUR CHILD Why was Nebuchadnezzar punished?

APPLY By trusting God's sovereignty as He rules over the kingdom of men.

THIS WEEK As a family, read selected portions of Daniel 4.

NEXT WEEK Daniel 5

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

On GraceWalk

- **Fundamentals of the Faith**
- **Local Outreach**

On the Patio

- **Adventure Club Volunteers**
- **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.

HIGHLIGHT

SUNDAYS IN JULY BOOK TENT

Every Sunday this month, be sure to visit the big white tent on the Chapel lawn, featuring...

- Recommended titles from each seminar
- A discount section with select titles available for up to 50% off retail
- Classic Grace Church hymnals for sale
- A complimentary bookmark with every purchase

Open before and after both Sunday morning services.



Grace to You

RADIO gtv.org/radio

The Future of Israel

- KKL 99.5 FM LOS ANGELES M-F 6:30 am & 7:30 pm
- KDAR 98.3 FM OXNARD-VENTURA M-F 2:00 & 10:00 am; Sun 2:00 am

TELEVISION gtv.org/television

"Reasons to Forgive, Part 2"

- NRBTV CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

ONLINE gtv.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.

ADVENTURE CLUB

At Grace Church, we strive to teach the Word of God to our children. Each of the programs we've developed in our Children's Ministry—from nursery, to Sunday school, to VBS—are designed to fulfill this desire in fun and engaging ways that highlight the joy of knowing God's truth. As we continue to pursue that desire, we are excited to announce "Adventure Club." This new Sunday night children's program, starting on September 10, is designed to provide an evening bookend for the Lord's Day at Grace Church, so that the day ends as strongly as it begins.

A hybrid of Awana and Discovery, Adventure Club combines the best of both programs with original elements to create a fun and energetic curriculum that centers on the truth of God's Word. This exciting new ministry for children

three years old through sixth grade includes teaching, small groups, games, and music—all covering topics like the attributes of God, the Person of Jesus, the work of the Holy Spirit, and more. We're especially excited for the small group times, which focus on discussion about the lesson and on Bible memorization. Each week, all of the children will memorize the same verse, which keeps the program unified and allows parents to talk to all of their children together about the truths they learned on Sunday night.

Adventure Club also offers adults an opportunity to come alongside the families of Grace Church and have an impact in the lives of our children. We're specifically looking for small group leaders to help kids learn their

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

July 16–August 25

Register at gracechurch.org/adventureclub

For more information, stop by the patio
table this morning.

verses and teach them the truths of God's Word. If you're looking for a place to serve and would like to be part of the Adventure Club team, we'd love to talk to you.

Signs ups for volunteers open today at gracechurch.org/adventureclub. We hope you'll join us in this exciting new ministry to reach our children with the truth of the gospel. Let the adventure begin!



Sundays IN JULY

JULY 16

8:30 a.m.

Friend or Foe?

A Biblical View of Guilt

John Street, Family Center 1

The Fake Commission

How Missions Has Lost Sight of the Mission

Brian Biedebach, Family Center 2

From the Dust of the Ground

Evaluating Evolution in Light of Scripture

Phil Johnson, Family Center 3

Can We Trust the Bible?

The Word of God on Trial

Chris Hamilton, T260s

Now Streaming

Christian Liberty and Entertainment Choices

Tom Patton, T360s

Marriage Q&A

Carlos Chung, T370s

Marcas de un verdadero cristiano

Fernando Jaimes, H221–222

10:30 a.m.

An Eye for an Eye?

Helping a Child Respond to Bullying

Jay Lennington, Family Center 1

Attempting Great Things for God

A Biographical Sketch of William Carey

Brad Klassen, Family Center 2

What Your Church Needs You to Be

Reflecting the Character of Christ in the Family of God

Andrew Curry, Family Center 3

Destroyer of the Gods

Why Did Anyone Become a Christian in the First Century?

Mark Zhakevich, T260s

Making All Things Beautiful

Handling the Hard Passages and Doctrines of Scripture

Abner Chou, T360s

Reformation Hardware

The Truth Behind Church History's Greatest Revival

Nathan Busenitz, T370s

El problema del mal

Heber Torres, H221–222

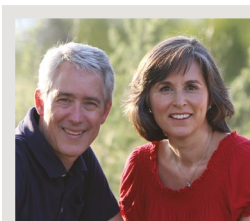
Grace Around the World

Joel & Rutly James

 Serving in **South Africa** Since 1995

Prayer / Praise

- Pray for the TMS graduates in the Johannesburg/Pretoria area as we open Shepherds' Seminary Africa in January 2018 to train expository preachers.
- Pray for Joel as he prepares syllabi for a variety of courses in the seminary.



Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$10,469**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

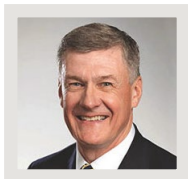
Acton Rehabilitation Center

Sundays and Wednesdays

Every Sunday, ministry leaders take men's and women's small groups to the drug and alcohol rehab center in Acton to preach, lead Bible studies, teach FOF classes, and offer one-on-one counsel. A men's group also ministers on Wednesday evenings. For more information call 818-909-5721.

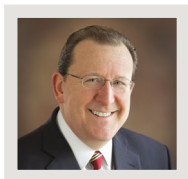
Today's Guest Speaker

Steve Lawson serves as president of OnePassion Ministries (onepassionministries.org) and Professor of Preaching at The Master's Seminary. A graduate of Texas Tech University, Dallas Theological Seminary, and Reformed Theological Seminary, Dr. Lawson also serves on the board of directors of The Master's College and Seminary and the ministerial board for Reformed Theological Seminary. Steve and his wife, Anne, have four children.



Tonight's Guest Speaker

Tom Pennington is senior pastor of Countryside Bible Church in the Dallas area. Before his ministry in Texas, Tom served 16 years in various roles connected to Grace Church, including staff oversight and personal assistant to John MacArthur. For many years he was also managing director of Grace to You, overseeing the day-to-day operations of that ministry. Tom and his wife, Sheila, have three daughters.

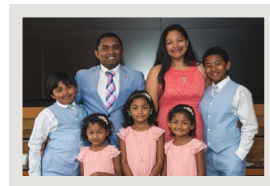


Job Opportunity

Grace Grill. Grace Church has part-time opening (25–29 hours per week) for the Grace Grill team. Anyone interested in food and customer service is encouraged to apply. Prior experience is not necessary, just a heart to serve and a desire to learn new skills and grow. Must be able to bend, push and pull while lifting up to 50 lbs. for some positions. 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 office of Human Resources at hr@gracechurch.org or 818-909-5672.

Departing for the Field

Faly Ravoahangy grew up in a Christian family in his home country of Madagascar, but did not submit his life to Christ until he was 15 years old. Since coming to salvation, God has continued to foster in Faly a love for studying and teaching His Word. During a work-related trip to South Africa, the Lord used TMS graduate Tim Cantrell to affirm Faly's desire for full-time ministry, and God subsequently opened the door for pastoral training at The Master's Seminary.



Faly, his wife, Lily, and their five children are now preparing to return to Madagascar to identify, train, and equip Malagasy pastors. His ultimate goal is to establish a seminary and train the next generation of godly church leaders who will impact many souls for the cause of the gospel of Jesus.

August Elders Meeting

Please note that the next Elders meeting is scheduled for August 17.

Communion

July 23 • 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. —1 Corinthians 11:26

Hope Bible Study

Thursdays • 7:00 p.m. • T271–272

Hope Bible Study is a transitional ministry that labors to encourage those who have been beset by life-dominating sin, such as drugs and alcohol, with the hope of Christ, the changing power of His Word, and the fellowship of His Church. If you or someone you know could benefit from this ministry, please email hopegcc@gmail.com or call the 818-909-5721.

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,
David González

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

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GRACECHURCH.ORG

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

MINISTRY DIRECTORY**Administration**

818-909-5500

Children

818-909-5631

Logos Institute

818-909-5500

Membership

818-909-5644

Men

818-909-5537

Outreach

818-909-5700

Pastoral Care & Counseling

818-909-5537

Prayer

818-909-5519

Spanish

818-909-5722

Special Ministries

818-909-5519

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His truth in the world.*

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