

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.



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8:30 & 10:30* am

BILL BRANDENSTEIN, DIRECTOR

Sonata I: *Third Movement* • Bach • Stephen Sturz, Organist

Hymn 26 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* • Congregation

Hymn 29 *Creation Sings*

This Is My Father's World • Sheppard/Maddux-Rice
String Orchestra, Woodwinds, Piano

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name • Fettke/Gassman • Worship Choir

Hymn 17 *O Father, You Are Sovereign* • Congregation

What a Friend We Have in Jesus • Sanborn/Rice • Grace Chung

MESSAGE: **FAITH OR WORKS/BLESSED OR CURSED, PART 2**
John MacArthur • Galatians 3:10–14

Doxology Hymn • Congregation

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee • Bach • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Give to Our God Immortal Praise • Hatton • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Austin Duncan

Hymn 374 *My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness* • Offertory

MESSAGE: **A SLAVE STORY WITH A LESSON ON
FORGIVENESS, PART 2**
John MacArthur • Philemon 1–3

Postlude

* 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.

Anthem

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers;
The moon and stars suspended in space.
Oh, what is man that You are mindful of him?

You have given man a crown of glory and honor,
And have made him a little lower than the angels.
You have put him in charge of all creation:
The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.
But what is man that You are mindful of him?

O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of Your name
Transcends the earth and fills the heavens.
O Lord, our God, little children praise You perfectly,
And so would we.

Alleluia, Alleluia! The majesty and glory of Your name.
Alleluia!

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Words by Linda Lee Johnson (based on Psalm 8); music by Tom Fettke

Doxology Hymn

Hymn 78 *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, Freely bestowed on all who believe;
You that are longing to see His face, Will you this moment His grace receive?

Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within,
Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that is greater than all our sin!

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

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.

Today's Membership Class
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 **Review Sunday**

PASSAGE **Genesis 3; Exodus 11–13; Leviticus 1–7**

PRINCIPLE The Old Testament illustrates our need for a perfect sacrifice.

HYMN OF THE MONTH "The Solid Rock" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 381)

ASK YOUR CHILD Why does man need a perfect sacrifice?

APPLY Christ is the perfect sacrifice for man's sin. Trust in Him alone!

THIS WEEK Review Sunday

NEXT WEEK Matthew 3:1–12

On GraceWalk

- **Christmas in September**
- **Fundamentals of the Faith**
- **Local Outreach**

On the Patio

- **Men of the Word**
- **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.

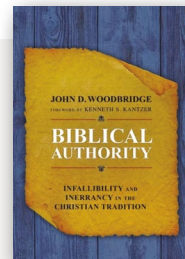
HIGHLIGHT

BIBLICAL AUTHORITY

by John Woodbridge

"Administers a series of knock-out blows to the confidently voiced claim that factual inerrancy is no authentic element in the historic Christian view of Scripture." —J.I. Packer

Available today FREE with any bookstore purchase



Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio

• **"Work: A Noble Christian Duty, Part 3"**

• **The Art of Self-Discipline**

- KKLA 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 gty.org/television

"The Perfections of Love, Part 1"

- NRBT CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

ONLINE gty.org

- John MacArthur's sermons: audio, video, and transcripts
- Resource library: blog, devotionals, articles, Q&As, and more
- Mobile apps: "The Study Bible" and "Grace to You Sermons"

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

GIVING OUR MISSIONARIES THE HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE

Have you ever played a competitive sport? Do you know what it's like to stand at home plate, bat resting at your shoulder, and the winning run looking at you from third base? There is a lot at stake. It can be overwhelming. You look out into the field; it is vast and unyielding. Your muscles begin to quiver. However, in the distance you hear the building momentum of the crowd. You are reminded that you are not alone. Courage is restored to your heart and your determination becomes resolute. The home field fans are cheering for you, lifting the roof off the stadium with their voices, hoping and praying you will triumph. Soon the pitch comes whizzing toward you and—crack!—your bat connects. You run toward first base, your heart soaring with gratitude and strengthened by the support of the home field crowd.

In many ways, our dedicated missionaries can relate to the home field advantage. They serve the Lord tirelessly and sacrificially as they look to make disciples in all the nations. They have chosen to uproot their lives and take daring steps of faith to live as salt and light in every corner of the earth. Most are far away from their home church. It is so important for them to remember that they are, in fact, not alone. Grace Community Church serves the Lord alongside of them, and we play a unique part in their ministry through a conduit of love, friendship, prayer, and encouragement.

Christmas in September is a wonderful opportunity for our church family to reach out to our missionaries around the globe as a reminder of the care and support

we always hold in our hearts for them. It is a practical and tangible expression of our continual gratitude and kindred ties. It refreshes the souls and fortifies the faith of our missionaries to know that their home church is committed to them—forging relationships, shouldering burdens, showing hospitality, building them up—even when seas separate us.

Every Sunday morning this month, you will find a Christmas in September table on GraceWalk. Please come by to pick up some Christmas cards and consider a financial gift that will go toward making Christmas for our precious missionaries exceedingly special. Be a part of showering them with blessings during this joyous season as we celebrate their victories, rejoice in their faithfulness, and care for their needs as one body in Christ.

Ultimately it glorifies the Lord when we support the gospel mission. May our relationships with our missionaries be inspired by the reflections of the apostle Paul when he wrote, “I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now...” (Philippians 1:3–5).

Crack!—there goes the bat—let them hear you cheer!” ■

Visit gracechurch.org/cis to learn more about Christmas in September or to give a gift online.



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Plaza Fellowship

SEPTEMBER 10
after the evening service

Hosted by
Children's Ministry

Please join us next Sunday evening as we
celebrate the launch of Adventure Club.

Free Corn Dogs, Ice Cream, and Frozen Lemonade

Laser Tag • Train • Photo Booths
Balloons • Face Painting

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$30,373**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Monthly Missions Meeting

Hosted by the Elders' Council Handling Outreach (ECHO)

Tuesday, September 5 • 7 p.m.

T260s

Come hear updates from our missionaries and local outreach ministries, pray for their needs, and learn how you can be involved.

Discipleship Counseling 1

Introduction to Biblical Counseling

September 6–December 6 (Wednesdays) • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Bill Shannon, George Sanders • Cost: \$75

For more information or to register, visit gracechurch.org/logos.

Job Opportunities

Assistant to the Registrar. The Master's University is looking for an individual to manage and coordinate daily operations of the Registrar's Office. This includes working with registrations, transcripts, deferments, enrollment and degree verifications, and graduation clearance. Maintains student academic records, adheres to university policies and procedures and state and federal regulations. Position requires strong customer service and collaborative skills. Email humanresources@masters.edu.

Bookkeeper. The Master's Academy International is looking for a part-time (20 hours/week) and a full-time (40 hours/week) bookkeeper. Duties include processing donations, tracking and reporting expenses in QuickBooks, reconciling accounts and providing records for outside audit, paying employee reimbursements, processing payroll, transferring funds to TMAI's international training centers, and other duties as assigned. Prior accounting/bookkeeping experience is required. For more information or to apply, email info@tmai.org or call 818-909-5570.

Web Programmer. Grace to You is looking for a full-stack developer with experience on the Microsoft .Net platform. Must have experience with C#, MVC, MSSQL, JavaScript, HTML5, and related technologies. Familiarity with .Net Core is a plus. This individual must give close attention to details, communicate effectively, and work well both independently and within a small team. For an application, contact Gabriel Powell at 661-295-5777, or email gpowell@gty.org.

Communion

September 10 • 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

Adventure Club Sign Ups

Children's registration for Adventure Club is now open. Designed for three-year-olds through sixth-graders, this exciting new Sunday evening children's program starts September 10. Register your kids today at gracechurch.org/adventureclub.

Men of the Word

Wednesdays • 7:00–8:30 p.m. • Worship Center

All men are invited to join us for Bible study and fellowship.

For more information, visit the patio table or gracechurch.org/motw.

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, September 15, 7:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, September 16, 9:00 a.m.–noon

Part 2 Friday, October 20, 7:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, October 21, 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.

8:30 a.m.**Children's Sunday School**

Visit the Welcome Center
for room locations.
Pastor: Ace Davis

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: Ace Davis

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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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

Student

818-909-5593

Women

818-909-5521

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