

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*Toccata in F Major* • Bach • Stephen Sturz, Organist*Hymn 120 Jesus Shall Reign* • Congregation*Hymn 125 Come, Christians, Join to Sing**O Worship the King* • Haydn/Rice • Brass Ensemble, Organ*Forth in Thy Name* • Young/Rice • Worship Choir*Hymn 420 A Charge to Keep I Have* • Congregation*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* • Holden/Erb-Rice • Men's QuartetMESSAGE: **SONS OF GOD, PART 3**

John MacArthur • Galatians 4:1–11

Doxology Hymn • Congregation*Now Thank We All Our God* • Karg-Elert • Organ Postlude**6:00 pm****Instrumental Prelude****Songs of Praise** • Congregation**Baptism***Hold Your Cross Ever Before Me* • Zimmer-Searles • OffertoryMESSAGE: **WARNINGS FROM THE WILDERNESS**

Nathan Busenitz • 1 Corinthians 10:6–13

Postlude

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

Anthem**Forth in Thy Name**

Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labor to pursue;
Thee, only Thee, resolved to know
In all I think, or speak, or do.

Each task Thy wisdom hath assigned,
O let me cheerfully fulfill;
In all my works Thy presence find,
Proving Thy good and perfect will.

Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labor to pursue;
And every moment watch and pray,
And hasten to Thy glorious day!

Words by Charles Wesley (1749); music by Gordon Young (1965)

Doxology Hymn**Hymn 380 My Jesus, I Love Thee**

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

* 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.

Today's Membership Class
102 • 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 **Jesus Teaches the Parable of the Soil**

PASSAGE **Mark 4:1–20**

PRINCIPLE **People respond differently to the sowing of God's Word.**

FEATURED HYMN **"The Power of the Cross" (Hymns of Grace No. 272)**

ASK YOUR CHILD **What are the different soils and what do they represent?**

APPLY **By examining his or her response to God's Word.**

THIS WEEK **As a family, read Mark 4:1–20.**

NEXT WEEK **Luke 8:22–39**

On GraceWalk

- **Fundamentals of the Faith**
- **Hands for Hope**
- **Local Outreach**

On the Patio

- **Christmas Concert Tickets**
- **Hands for Hope**
- **Nursery Volunteer Information**
- **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.

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

BIBLE SALE

All Bibles 30% off retail

MacArthur Study Bibles 35% off retail

Select Bibles 40% off retail

While supplies last, through November 30

ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH

All adoption titles are available for 30% off retail. Visit the Hands for Hope patio table for more information.



Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio

The Love of God

- 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 gty.org/television

"Slaves and Friends of Christ, 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.



STM 2018

FELLOW WORKERS WITH THE TRUTH



SHORT-TERM **MINISTRIES**

Therefore we ought to support such men, so that we may be fellow workers with the truth.

3 JOHN 8

As William Carey was about to embark upon his mission trip to India in 1793, he looked around at the small band of brothers with him and said, "I will go down, if you will hold the rope."

This picture of someone venturing into unknown territory supported only by a small group of faithful believers is not a new concept. Although Carey is recorded as the pioneer of modern missions, the charge to proclaim the gospel to unreached nations comes from our Lord's Great Commission in Matthew 28:19–20. Believers in Jesus have been declaring His Word since He first entrusted them with the saving message of eternal life. Likewise, sending assistance to believers in need is exemplified throughout the New Testament (e.g., 2 Corinthians 11:9, Romans 15:26, and Philippians 4:15–18).

Our own church has sought to obey our Master and emulate the examples we see in Scripture by sending and supporting missionaries for more than fifty years. Today, some ninety-four Grace Church missionary families and ministry partners have been sent onto the field and are spending themselves for gospel ministry in different parts of the world. From learning new languages and embracing new cultures to surrendering their comfort and even risking their own lives, serving on the mission field requires enormous personal sacrifice from these faithful men and women.

This legacy has been made possible through the grace of the Lord Jesus and the unwavering commitment of His people to support gospel ministry. Grace Church has always rallied around the banner of the gospel and shared the burden of responsibility in recognizing the needs of our missionaries. We pray for them, assist them financially, and some of us even temporarily join them on the field.

Every year, our missionaries request Short-Term Ministries (STM) teams of Grace Church members, and we respond by sending you—men and women who have laid hold of the significance of gospel mission and the importance of laboring alongside our missionaries in tangible ways.

STM trips are wonderful opportunities to encourage and support our missionaries in their tireless work for the cause of the Savior, express our gratefulness for their selfless ministry, and meet practical ministerial needs. Moreover, STM teams represent our entire church family to the congregations they serve, vividly displaying the priority of missions and the value of a legacy of a mature mission ministry.

This summer, we are preparing to send seventeen teams to sixteen countries across the globe to pursue the most significant task that believers can engage in—the proclamation of the gospel. We hope you'll join us in the Family Center on December 3 to learn how you can participate in this exciting ministry opportunity. And even if you can't be part of a team, please consider supporting this critical ministry both prayerfully and financially.

Thank you for your role in making STMs a reality and for serving our missionaries. Your short-term investment will have an eternal impact on these faithful servants and the ministries they serve. 

Short-Term Ministries 2018 Informational Meeting

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
December 3	12:30–1:30 p.m.	Family Center

2018 STM TEAMS

Argentina	Northern Ireland	Philippines
Colombia	Japan	Singapore
England 1	Madagascar	Spain
England 2	Malawi	Switzerland
	Mexico	Ukraine

For more information about Short-Term Ministries, visit gracechurch.org/stm.

Thanksgiving

COMMUNION SERVICE

November 19 • 6:00 p.m.

A special evening of praise and proclamation to worship and give thanks to our Lord featuring the Grace Church Orchestra & Worship Choir

Christmas Concert December 14–17

Thursday & Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, 2:00 & 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

Worship Choir • Symphonic Orchestra
Vocal Solos & Ensembles
Handbell Choir • Children's Choir

Call 818-909-5670 or go to gracechurch.org/concert for more information.

Tickets are available at the patio table on Sunday mornings and from the church receptionist during the week.

Child care is available for children five years old and younger.

Grace Around the World

The **Corral** Family

Daniel & Aida, Marcos, Olimpia, Mateo, Alexia

Serving in **Spain** since **2017**

Prayer / Praise

- Praise God for His kindness in bringing our new daughter, Alexia, safely into the world.
- Pray that Daniel would proclaim Christ faithfully in the preaching opportunities the Lord has provided across Spain.



Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$15,171**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

November is Adoption Awareness Month

Adoption resources will be available on GraceWalk after both morning services.

Join us for an informational seminar and lunch today.
12:30–3:00 p.m. • T370s

gracechurch.org/handsforhope • 818-909-5700



Hands
for
Hope

Elders Meeting

Thursday, November 16 • 7 p.m. • CC230s

Open to our church family

Titus 2 Tuesday

November 14 • 7:00 p.m.

This month's topic: "Practicing Hospitality"

Studies meet in Encino, Glendale, Northridge, Shadow Hills, Simi Valley, and Valencia. Women of all ages are invited for a time of discussion and fellowship. For specific meeting locations and RSVP information, visit gracechurch.org/women.

Primary Christmas Party

Saturday, December 2 • 9:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. • CC130

All first–third-grade children (and friends of the same age) are invited to celebrate the Savior's birth. Bring a small sack lunch (drinks and dessert will be provided) and canned goods for needy families. Game-appropriate attire, please (no dresses). Call 818-909-5631 for more information.

With the Lord

James Calloway and **John Kim** recently went to be with the Lord. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His godly ones. —Psalm 116:15

Adventure Fair

Saturday, November 18 • 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Adventure Club kids and their families, friends, and neighbors are invited to come enjoy games, prizes, face painting, bounce houses, food, fellowship, and more!

Please note that parking for the fair will be in the north lot only.

Joint Heirs Ladies TEA

Teaching, Edification, Application

Monday, November 13 • 7:00 p.m. • T260s • Speaker: Janie Street

All women are welcome.

Sojourners Women's Fellowship

Thanksgiving Potluck

Saturday, November 18 • 10:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. • T270s • Speaker: Evy Anderson

All women are welcome. Call 818-887-9717 to register and receive a food assignment.

Alzheimer's–Dementia Ministry

Saturday, November 18 • 9:00 a.m. • CC130s

Families touched by dementia are invited to meet monthly for spiritual encouragement, helpful shepherding, and warm fellowship over a light breakfast. Loved ones with dementia are welcome. If you are bringing your loved one, please call Pastor Rick McLean 818-909-5519.

Come ChristmasSing Concert Series

November 30–December 2 • The Master's University

For tickets, visit masters.edu/music or call 661-362-2262.

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

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Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,
Michael Mahoney

12:30 p.m.**Neighborhood Outreach**

H223–224

5:00 p.m.**Sunday Night Prayer Group**

T385

6:00 p.m.**Adventure Club**

Family Center (Grades 4–6)
Chapel (Grades 1–3)
T270s (Ages 3–5)

Visit our website at

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

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**Pastoral Care &
Counseling**

818-909-5537

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Women

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