

GRACE TODAY

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PASTOR-TEACHER

Clayton Erb / Minister of Music

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**BILL BRANDENSTEIN, DIRECTOR**

O Sacred Head Now Wounded • Hassler/Sturz • Stephen Sturz, Organist
May the Mind of Christ, My Savior • Barnham-Gould/Sturz

Hymn 179 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus • Congregation

Like a River Glorious • Mountain/Rice • Instrumental Praise

The Armor of God • Beck/Gassman • Worship Choir

The Lord Is My Light • Neidlinger/Marsh • Philip Webb

Hymn 61 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah • Congregation

MESSAGE: **WALKING IN THE SPIRIT, PART 6**

John MacArthur • Galatians 5:16–26

Communion

The Solid Rock • Bradbury/Sturz • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

This Is My Father's World • Sheppard/Harper • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Tom Patton

Hymn 368 Speak, O Lord • Offertory

MESSAGE: **"REMEMBER, O YAHWEH": HOW GOD'S PAST ACTS
OF DELIVERANCE GIVE US HOPE, PART 2**

Austin Duncan • Psalm 136

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 Armor of God**

Put on the full armor of God that you may be able to stand firm!
 Stand firm, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,
 And having shod your feet with the gospel of peace,
 Taking up the shield of faith, and the helmet of salvation,
 And the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.

Peace be to you, my brethren,
 And love with faith from God, the Father
 And the Lord Jesus Christ.

Peace be to you, my brethren,
 And love with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
 Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ
 With a love incorruptible!

Congregation joins

Soldiers of Christ, arise, and put your armor on,
 Strong in the strength which God supplies through His eternal Son;
 Strong in the Lord of Hosts, and in His mighty pow'r,
 Who in the strength of Jesus trusts is more than conqueror.

Leave no unguarded place, no weakness of the soul;
 Take ev'ry virtue, ev'ry grace, and fortify the whole.
 From strength to strength go on, wrestle and fight and pray;
 Tread all the pow'rs of darkness down and win the well-fought day!

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Words by John Ness Beck (1982) and Charles Wesley (1741), based on Ephesians 6:10–24
 Music by John Ness Beck and George J. Elvey (1868)

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
103 • 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 **The Church Is Persecuted and the Gospel Spreads**
- PASSAGE **Acts 8:1–25**
- PRINCIPLE Believers must submit their lives to King Jesus.
- FEATURED HYMN "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 318)
- ASK YOUR CHILD How did the persecution of the church help the gospel spread?
- APPLY By examining whether you have demonstrated true repentance.
- THIS WEEK As a family, read Acts 8:1–25.
- NEXT WEEK Acts 8:26–40

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

On GraceWalk

- Fundamentals of the Faith
- Local Outreach

On the Patio

- Faith Promise
- Short-Term Ministries
- Spanish Ministry (by the Chapel)

Bookstore

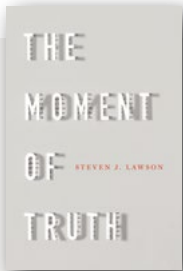
The Bookstore is open after each service and during the week. It is located on the south side of the Worship Center.

GRACE BOOKS HIGHLIGHT

THE MOMENT OF TRUTH BY STEVE LAWSON

"We live in the most anti-intellectual and anti-theological era in the history of the church, and that's because the church has too often taken its marching orders from the culture. That is why I'm grateful that God has raised up Steve Lawson for such a time as this. I believe *The Moment of Truth* will serve Christians well as they seek to be faithful to the objective truth of God's Word." —R.C. Sproul

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or 40% off retail when you purchase two or more**



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- John MacArthur's sermons: audio, video, and transcripts
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- Mobile apps: "The Study Bible" and "Grace to You Sermons"

What Is Church Leadership?

Membership Ministry

“Shepherd the flock of God that is among you.” —1 Peter 5:2

Children love playing “follow-the-leader.” Like the game’s name suggests, you play by copying whatever the leader does, but without consideration—if you think too much, your copying gets messy. In the church, Christ calls us to follow our leaders closely and imitate their lives, but He emphasizes that who our leaders are and how they lead means everything. Here at Grace Church, we believe that Christ intended the local church to be led by a plurality of biblically qualified elders. And He outlines the structure and responsibilities of leadership as anything but arbitrary.

The words *elder*, *overseer*, and *pastor* all refer to the same office (Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 5:1–2). In other words, overseers and pastors are not distinct from elders; the terms are simply different ways of identifying the same men. The Bible

is crystal clear on who these men are to be in their character and in their practice of doctrine (Titus 1:6–9). The single, overarching qualification is that an elder is to be “above reproach”—the other qualifications work to expound on and support this broad requirement. A biblically qualified elder is to be a godly man, maintaining a reputation of blamelessness in the community and within the church. In other words, he is to be blameless in his marital life, his social life, his professional life, and his spiritual life. In this way, elders are to be models of godliness so they can legitimately call the congregation to follow their example (Philippians 3:17). All the other qualifications amplify that idea (1 Timothy 3:2–7).

The different terms these passages use indicate various features of service, not varying levels of authority or separate offices. It could be said that the primary responsibility of the elders of the church

is to be spiritual overseers of the sheep—they serve to guard and care for the spiritual well-being of the flock (1 Timothy 3:5). To accomplish this, the elders of Grace Church spend much of their time in prayer, and they study diligently in order to teach God’s Word rightly. They also serve our church family by providing spiritual care in fellowship groups and many other ministries of our church.

If you’re a member of our church family but have never attended one of our monthly elders meetings, or if it’s been awhile since you’ve attended, come see first-hand how our elders care for our church. ●

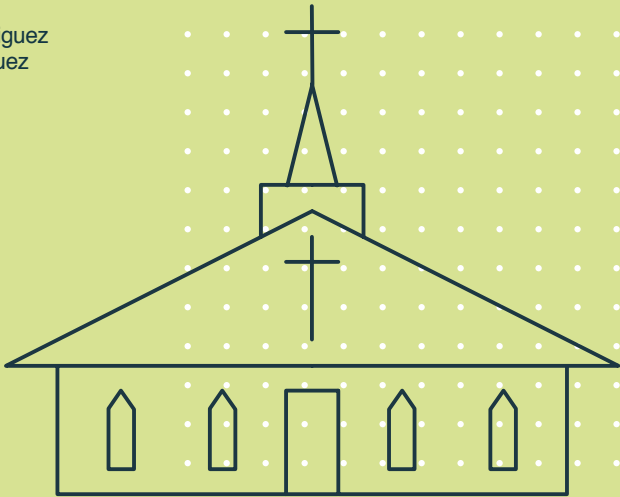
For more information about membership at Grace Church, stop by the Membership/Baptism Center after any Sunday service.

New Members ●

The following new members received the Right Hand of Fellowship in APRIL.

René Acosta
Cynthia Alvarado
Lance Brien
Dimas & Ofelia Calderon
Chu Chow
Julie Chung
Phillip Crisolo
Madeline Davis
Lauren Dougherty
Alice Dumitru
Ronald Fennell
Isabel Garcia
Joseph Ghim
Kent Hirano
Jeffrey Ho
Dominic & Amanda House
Alisha Klassen
Bryce Klassen
Craig & Judith La Chance
Johannes Lee
Abigail Lee
Michael Lee
Claire Lee
Ronald Leon
Richard Liang

Rachel Lin
Michael Lin
Ivana Mai
Josh Marino
Ashlynn McGuff
Oly Moran
Lauren Nardone
Michelle Ngo
Luke Pierik
Gisselle Portillo
Serene Rao
René & Analuz Rodriguez
Miguel Angel Rodriguez
Riley Seid
Ryan Selga
Bom Sung
Erica Tien
Sarah Tomuta
Shao Wang
Jasmine Wong
Justin Yu
Naomi Yung
Jane Zhang
Hannah Zulueta



SHORT-TERM MINISTRIES HIGHLIGHT

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



Team England, London 2 May 26–June 9

Team Members

Jonathan Park (team leader), Kevin Ford, Adelina Laffitte, Jeahn Laffitte, Hannah Park

Host

Tom Drion, GraceLife London

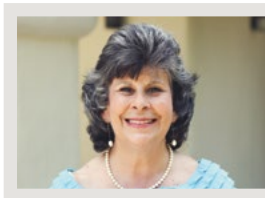
Ministry

Media Production, Evangelism

Grace Around the World

Ellen Parker

Serving in **Mexico** since **1981**



Prayer / Praise

- Pray for Ellen's sister, Dayle, who will be visiting in June and teaching three of Ellen's Bible studies on "Humility."
- Pray that Ellen would be clear and faithful in teaching at an upcoming women's retreat in Cancun, Mexico.

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$15,640**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Camp Grace Volunteers Needed

June 11–13 • Lake Arrowhead

July 23–27 • Big Basin, Santa Cruz

Special Ministries has an urgent need for volunteers to serve at both camps this summer. For more information about serving at either camp, call Pastor Rick McLean at 818-909-5519.

Vacation Bible School

June 25–29 • 9:00 a.m.–Noon

For kids going into grades K–6 this fall. Register today at gracechurch.org/vbs.

Local Outreach Spotlight

Russian Outreach Bible Study

May 27 • 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 as we pray about how to reach the Russian community in Los Angeles with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Parenting for Life

A Biblical Guide for Shepherding the Family

May 27–August 26 (class will not meet in July) • 10:30 a.m. • H223–224

Teacher: Rich Harasick

For more information or to register, visit gracechurch.org/childrens or call 818-909-5631. Space is limited. Order curriculum at the bookstore.

Job Opportunities

Accounting Administrative Assistant. The Grace Church Accounting Department has a full-time opening for an administrative assistant (40 hours/week). Requirements include experience with customer service, processing cash transactions, and data importing and entry. Must possess excellent customer service, organizational, and multi-tasking skills. Proficiency with Microsoft Office and an ability to work in a fast-paced environment required. Experience with general ledger software is also helpful. 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 HR at HR@gracechurch.org or 818-909-5672.

Medical Assistant or EMT. The Master's University Health Center has a part-time opening for a Medical Assistant or EMT (20 hours/week). Requirements include excellent customer service skills, familiarity with medical insurance plans, a desire to learn, and a passion for helping others. Must have a positive and professional attitude, accurate record keeping skills, ability to analyze and solve problems, a working knowledge of Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, and the ability to compose, proofread, and edit correspondence. Applicants must have a demonstrated commitment to the doctrinal position of TMU and an ongoing desire to serve others. For more information or to request an application, email HumanResources@masters.edu or call 661-362-2843.

Parent Dedication June 10

This is a time when parents commit to raising their children according to the principles of God's Word. Parents who are members of Grace Church and whose babies are 24 months of age or younger may sign up before June 1 by emailing nmouron@gracechurch.org.

One with Christ Monday, May 21 • 9:30 a.m. • CC130

Bible study primarily for women who have lost their husbands through death or divorce.

Unequally Yoked Tuesday, May 22

Bible study primarily for women married to unbelieving husbands. For information, call 818-909-5521.

Sojourners Women's Fellowship Spring Luncheon

Saturday, May 26 • 10:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. • T270s

Guest Speaker: Jacki Martin • Cost: \$15

All women are welcome. Call 818-887-9717 for more information.

With the Lord

Ruthie DeVall recently went to be with the Lord. Please remember her family in your prayers. There will be a memorial service on Saturday, May 26, at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel.

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

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)

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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

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Pastoral Care & Counseling

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