## GRACE TODAY

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## John MacArthur 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

Two Antiphons • Dupré • Stephen Sturz, Organist

Hymn 213 My Hope Is in the Lord • Congregation Hymn 206 Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

The Lord Bless You and Keep You • Rutter • Worship Choir

Purify Me, Lord • Clydesdale • Worship Choir

**Hymn 50** *Adoration* • Congregation

**Change Me Now** • Mason-Lawton/Rice • Carmella Jones

**MESSAGE: WALKING IN THE SPIRIT, PART 8** 

John MacArthur • Galatians 5:16-26

Doxology Hymn • Congregation

Lift Up Your Heads • Bingham • Organ Postlude

#### 6:00 pm

My Savior's Love • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

**Baptism** • Josh Petras

**Hymn 185** *Here Is Love* • Offertory

**MESSAGE: SEEKING WISDOM UNTO SALVATION** 

Paul Twiss • Proverbs 4:10–19

#### **Postlude**

#### **Anthem**

#### Purify Me, Lord

Purify me, Lord—Lift the darkness from my soul. Purify me, Lord—Cleanse the private corners I withhold. Make me right before Your throne To kneel in worship—pure, atoned. Take the pain that still remains, Purify me, Lord.

The emptiness that sin can bring is hollow, dark and void— It robs the very breath from me, the joy Your love affords. Consume me with a fire that will purify my soul. Renew Your Spirit in me, Lord, and make me whole.

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Make me right before Your throne
To kneel in worship—pure, atoned.
Take the pain that still remains, Purify me, Lord.

Let the warmth, the peace, the power flood my heart today. Restore, renew, empower all the words I pray.

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Make me right before Your throne
To kneel in worship—pure, atoned.
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#### **Doxology Hymn**

#### Hymn 377 May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

May the mind of Christ, my Savior, Live in me from day to day, By His love and pow'r controlling All I do and say.

May the love of Jesus fill me As the waters fill the sea; Him exalting, self abasing—This is victory.

<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.

#### **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.

#### On GraceWalk

- Fundamentals of the Faith
- Local Outreach

#### On the Patio

• 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 MACARTHUR STUDY BIBLE (ESV)

## PERSONAL SIZE PAPERBACK EDITION

The MacArthur Study Bible is now available in a paperback edition. This economic format makes it the perfect giveaway for evangelism.



Available today for 30% off retail, or 50% off when you purchase a case quantity of twelve.

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

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



MESSAGE Saul Is Converted

PASSAGE Acts 9:1-31

PRINCIPLE All people are God's enemies until they repent and enter His family.

FEATURED HYMN "And Can It Be?" (Hymns of Grace No. 180)

ASK YOUR CHILD How did Saul demonstrate his faith in Jesus?

APPLY By being willing to suffer for Jesus while proclaiming Him to others.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Acts 9:1–31.

NEXT WEEK Acts 10:1-11:18

#### **Grace to You**

RADIO gty.org/radio

#### God, Satan, and Angels

• 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

#### "Son of David, Lord of All"

• NRBTV 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"

# AN OPPORTUNITY FOR FELLOWSHIP

"Our relationship with each other is the criterion the world uses to judge whether our message is truthful—Christian community is the final apologetic." —FRANCIS SCHAEFFER



For hours and a menu visit gracechurch.org/grill

How we interact with other Christians is a testimony to the gospel's truthfulness. Jesus told His disciples that, "all men will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another" (John 13:35). He made friends of us, who were His most bitter enemies. Since we have been loved so deeply by God, we strive to love Him in the same way and extend His love to others. Christ died for unity, and we confirm that by living in close-knit fellowship with other believers.

The idea behind Grace Grill was to promote fellowship. It's too easy to gather on a

Sunday morning and then quickly disperse to our separate corners of the valley without enjoying deep communion with other Christians. And it happens naturally; having a large church family is a blessing in many ways, and also comes with some challenges. We live farther apart from one another, in part because of our community's size, and can easily fall into rhythms void of the life-onlife fellowship the Bible calls for. Grace Grill doesn't solve this problem, but it provides an opportunity.

Having a restaurant on-campus facilitates fellowship. After we've gathered with our church family in one place, it's a convenient way to extend that communion in a more relaxed, familiar venue. The Grill's remodel was finished early last year and includes—

indoor and patio seating, a paneled lounge with a fireplace and recessed library; Wi-Fi access; and a state-of-the-art kitchen equipped to support the recurring, full menu. Grace Grill provides a comfortable setting that makes fellowship easy by bridging the gaps left by distance and busy schedules.

We pursue fellowship because it displays the beautiful friendship believers enjoy with God and one another through Christ. The ultimate goal of fellowship on earth is that the world would observe our "love for one another" and look to Christ, who enables such temporal unity as a picture of our eternal reality. We hope you'll join us this summer, on Sundays and throughout the week, to enjoy all that Grace Grill has to offer.

## Worldviews, World Religions, and You

Just a drive down Roscoe Boulevard is enough to illustrate the reality of false religion. A Buddhist temple, a Jewish synagogue, and a Roman Catholic church all sit within a mile of Grace Church. Draw a ten-mile circle around our church, and you will also find an Islamic center, a Greek Orthodox church, a Mormon ward, a Jehovah's Witnesses' kingdom hall, and a Scientology center. Even Atheists United has a meeting place just over twelve miles away.

In this sense, Los Angeles is not unlike the city of Athens in the days of Paul. According to Acts 17:16, the apostle's "spirit was being provoked within him as he was observing the city full of idols." This led to one of Paul's great apologetic sermons, in which he courageously proclaimed to the Athenians the truth about the living God.

The Apostle Peter calls every believer to exhibit that same kind of boldness for the sake of the gospel. In 1 Peter 3:14–15, he writes, "Do not fear their inimidation, and do not be troubled, but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence."

With that biblical mandate in mind, The Master's Seminary and Logos Bible Institute are pleased to announce a summer symposium on "Worldviews and World Religions." Renowned Christian apologist, Dr. James White, will join us for a week of in-depth training that will equip you to engage the lost for the sake of the gospel. Topics include atheism, Roman Catholicism, Islam, and a biblical approach to defending your faith.

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to grow in your knowledge of the truth and cultivate a deeper conviction to proclaim it with boldness.

# WORLDVIEWS & WORLD RELIGIONS

June 11–15 • 6:15–9:00 p.m. Instructor: Dr. James White • \$35

To register or for more information, visit gracechurch.org/logos.



## **Monthly Missions Meeting**

Hosted by the Elders' Council Handling Outreach (ECHO)

Tuesday, June 5 • 7:00 p.m. • T260s

Come hear updates from our missionaries and local outreach ministries, pray for their needs, and learn how you can be involved. This month's missionary speakers will be Mark Christopher (South Africa), Massimo Mollica (Italy), and Mathew Johnston (Italy).

## **VBS Volunteer Meeting**

June 10 • Noon-2:30 p.m. • Family Center

Please note that this meeting is mandatory for all VBS volunteers.

## **Open Arms Pregnancy Clinic Fundraiser**

June 3-24

Be sure to pick up an OAPC baby bottle at the Welcome Center this morning, fill it with change, and return it to the Welcome Center. This is a great way to help raise support for the vital, ongoing ministry of the Open Arms Pregnancy Clinic. For more information, contact Local Outreach at 818-909-5721.

## 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.

## **Grace Around the World**

#### The **Videira** Family

Ruben & Jenn, Oliver, Eden, Caleb, Zoe

Serving in **Spain** since **2014** 

#### **Prayer / Praise**

- Praise God for the birth of our fourth child, Zoe.
- Pray that our furlough in the U.S. this summer would be productive and refreshing.



Last week you generously gave **\$11,232**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

## **Local Outreach Spotlight**

#### Basketball Outreach

Mondays • 8:00 p.m. • Family Center

Every Monday night the Family Center is transformed into Grace Gym for an evening of basketball and evangelism. The neighborhood comes to play basketball in our newly renovated gym, and at halftime there is a faithful gospel presentation. We would love for our church family to join us in modeling how to compete in a Christlike manner, and in taking opportunities between games to personally engage our friends with the gospel.



## **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.

**Grace Grill.** Grace Church is looking for part-time (8–29 hours/week) team members for Grace Grill. 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.

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.

## **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.

## The Master's University

Summer Sports Camps for Kids

Baseball • Basketball • Volleyball • Soccer

All camps are led by The Master's University coaches and players and held on the university campus. For more information or to register, visit gomustangs.com.

## PSP Homeschool Group Used Curriculum Sale

Saturday, June 16 • 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. • Family Center

For information, call Marina at 818-956-9382.

### **Adventure Club**

Designed for three-year-olds through sixth graders, this exciting children's program meets on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. For more information, visit gracechurch.org/adventureclub.

#### With the Lord

**Bill McFarland** recently went to be with the Lord. Please remember his family in your prayers.

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 Mahonev

#### 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

Soiourners (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** 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)

#### 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 = TowerH = HeritageCC = Children's Center

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Prayer 818-909-5519 Spanish 818-909-5722

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