

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.

The image shows the exterior of a church building with a light-colored stone wall. The words "grace community church" are mounted on the wall in a modern, sans-serif font. The building is surrounded by lush green trees and bushes, with sunlight filtering through the leaves, creating a bright and serene atmosphere.

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church

8:30 & 10:30* am

Redeemed • Butler/Sturz • Stephen Sturz, Organist

I Will Sing of the Mercies • Fillmore/Sturz

Hymn 213 *My Hope Is in the Lord* • Congregation

My Faith Looks Up to Thee • Mason/Maddux-Rice • String Orchestra, Woodwinds

Your Grace Still Amazes Me • Craig-Harrington/Allen • Worship Choir

Hymn 89 *Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound* • Congregation

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

MESSAGE: **RUIN TO REDEMPTION**

Austin Duncan • Mark 5:1–20

Communion

And Can It Be? • Campbell/Sturz • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Come, Praise and Glorify • Chester-Kauffman • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Chris Gee

Hymn 406 *Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor* • Offertory

MESSAGE: **HERE I AM TO WORSHIP**

Mark Zhakevich • Psalm 131

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**Your Grace Still Amazes Me**

My faithful Father, enduring Friend,

Your tender mercy's like a river with no end;

It overwhelms me, covers my sin;

Each time I come into Your presence,

I stand in wonder once again.

Your grace still amazes me, Your love is still a mystery;

Each day I fall on my knees, 'Cause Your grace still amazes me,

Your grace still amazes me

O patient Savior, You make me whole;

You are the Author and the Healer of my soul;

What can I give You? Lord what can I say?

I know there's no way to repay You,

Only to offer You my praise

It's deeper, it's wider, It's stronger, it's higher,

It's deeper, it's wider, It's stronger, it's higher,

Than anything my eyes can see

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Words and music by Shawn Craig and Connie Harrington; arranged by Dennis Allen

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 **God Will Judge the World**

PASSAGE **Revelation 19:11–20:15**

PRINCIPLE Christ will establish an earthly kingdom.

FEATURED HYMN "Jesus Shall Reign" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 120)

ASK YOUR CHILD What will happen to those whose names are not found in the book of life?

APPLY By escaping God's judgment by believing in Christ and repenting of sin.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Revelation 19:11–20:15.

NEXT WEEK Revelation 21:1–22:21

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

On GraceWalk

- **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.

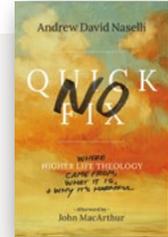
HIGHLIGHT

NO QUICK FIX

by Andrew Naselli
Afterward by John MacArthur

"A right understanding of salvation and sanctification is the foundation of true gospel faith." —John MacArthur

"Extremely valuable. I enjoyed this book. I learned from this book. I will be able to help my congregation as a result of reading this book."
—Kevin DeYoung



Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio

Abiding in Christ

- 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 Apostolic Preaching of Christ from the Old Testament"

- 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"

MEN AROUND PAUL

The influence of the apostle Paul on world history is immeasurable. When he was converted on the Damascus road around AD 33, the Christian church was considered by the Romans to be an insignificant sect, limited to a small geographical area and a peculiar group of people, the Jews. Most believed that the movement would die out as quickly as it began.

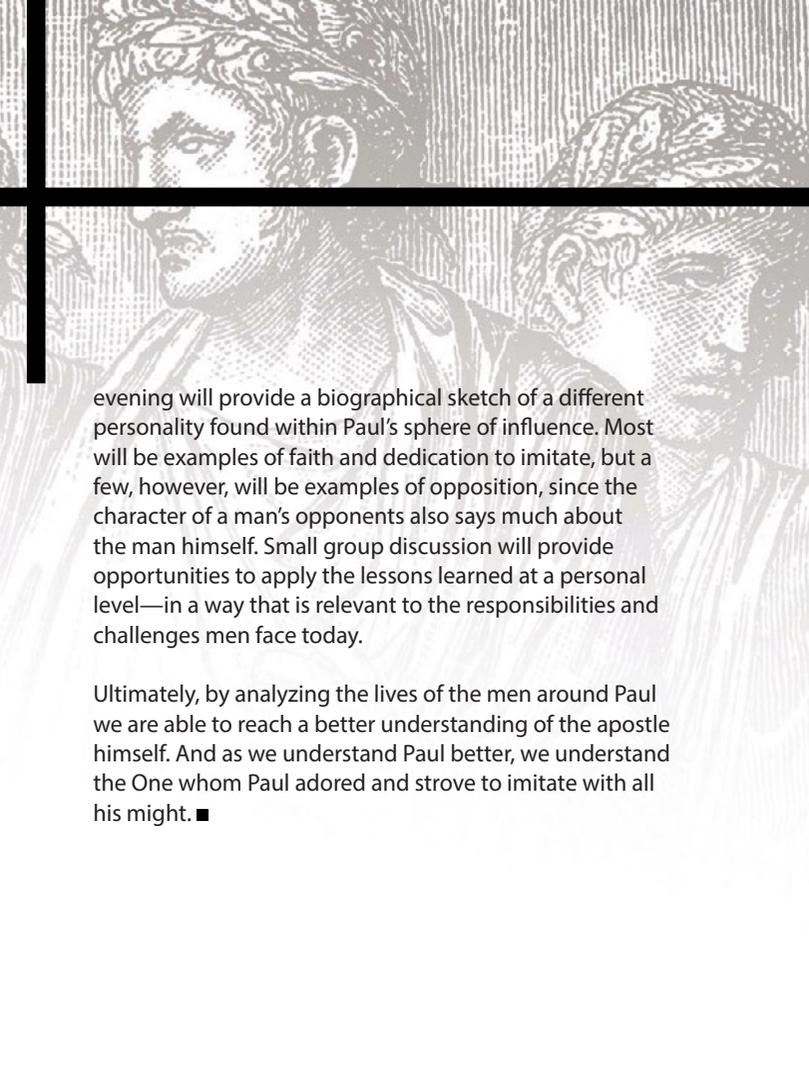
Three decades later, Christianity was a world religion. Men and women of all races and social and economic classes, living in the most influential cities of the empire, confessed Christ as Lord. While Paul was not directly involved in all the dimensions of this remarkable expansion, the degree of his influence upon it is unmistakable. As New Testament scholar F.F. Bruce states, "Paul was not the only preacher of Christianity in the Gentile world of that day...but he outstripped all others as a pioneer missionary and planter of churches, and nothing can detract from his achievement as the Gentiles' apostle par excellence."

But no great man of influence stands alone. Around him are found men of lesser recognition, but not of lesser character. This is certainly the case with Paul. Although at the time of his

conversion no one would willingly identify himself as Paul's friend, by the time he was martyred dozens of men were associated directly with his mission. This is part of what made Paul great. As he grew older, he not only pulled more and more men into his orbit, but he himself became more and more dependent on and beholden to others. Evidence of this can even be found in Paul's *magnum opus*, the book of Romans. One whole chapter (16) is comprised of affectionate greetings to individuals in the church who had become precious to him.

To a significant degree, the influence of Paul's achievements was related to the greatness of the team God assembled around him. Thus, not only Paul but the members of his circle serve as examples worthy of imitation. Paul himself points to this when he writes to the Philippians, "Brethren, join in following my example, and observe those who walk according to the pattern you have in us" (Philippians 3:17).

In keeping with this exhortation, the focus for the upcoming year in Men of the Word will be the pattern of character displayed by the men around Paul. Beginning September 5, each Wednesday



MEN OF THE WORD 2018–2019

MEN AROUND PAUL

A STUDY OF THE MEN WHO SHAPED, SUPPORTED, OR CHALLENGED THE APOSTLE PAUL

Wednesdays, beginning September 5
7:00–8:45 p.m.

Worship Center

For more information, stop by the patio table this morning or
visit gracechurch.org/motw.

Men of the Word exists to glorify God by equipping and encouraging men to fulfill their God-ordained roles as leaders in the home, the church, and the world. This is accomplished by providing biblical instruction, personal discipleship, genuine fellowship, and spiritual accountability.

evening will provide a biographical sketch of a different personality found within Paul's sphere of influence. Most will be examples of faith and dedication to imitate, but a few, however, will be examples of opposition, since the character of a man's opponents also says much about the man himself. Small group discussion will provide opportunities to apply the lessons learned at a personal level—in a way that is relevant to the responsibilities and challenges men face today.

Ultimately, by analyzing the lives of the men around Paul we are able to reach a better understanding of the apostle himself. And as we understand Paul better, we understand the One whom Paul adored and strove to imitate with all his might. ■

SHORT-TERM MINISTRIES HIGHLIGHT

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



TEAM MALAWI

AUGUST 23–SEPTEMBER 7

TEAM MEMBERS: Elliott Kang (team leader), Carissa Carns, Alyssa Chan, Claire Lee, Waveley Qiu, Caleb Ting, Grace Ye, Justin Yu

HOST: Jim Ayres

MINISTRY: Seminary Administration



Logos Institute Discipleship Counseling 1

September 5–November 28 (Wednesdays) • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Instructors: Bill Shannon, George Sanders • **Cost:** \$75

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



Come see what's on the menu!

Breakfast	Sunday • 7:00–8:30 a.m. Tuesday–Thursday • 7:00–11:00 a.m.
Lunch	Sunday • Noon–1:30 p.m. Monday–Friday • 11:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Grace Around the World

Gianluca & Sonia Pollutri

Serving in **Italy** since **2017**



Prayer / Praise

- Pray for Gianluca's health as he fights leukemia and Sonia's health as she struggles with back pain and headaches.
- Pray that we would be able to start a counseling ministry with the terminal cancer patients in Florence.

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$24,499**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

Volleyball Outreach

Mondays • 5:30 p.m. • Family Center

Every Monday night the Family Center is open to those in the surrounding community who enjoy playing volleyball. Play lasts until 7:30 p.m., with a halftime break for a gospel presentation. This is a great opportunity for our church family to model how to compete in a Christlike manner and personally engage our friends with the gospel.

Job Opportunities

Custodial. The Grace Church Custodial Department has part-time openings (20–29 hours/week) for custodians who enjoy working in a team environment and serving the church in practical ways. Position requires ability to be detail-oriented and thrive in a fast-paced environment. Job duties include room set-up and break-down and various cleaning tasks. Applicants must be able to lift up to 50 pounds.

Nursery Workers. Children’s Ministry currently has several part-time openings (10–20 hours/week) for nursery workers. Hours are primarily Sundays and Wednesdays. Must be able to exhibit love to parents, children, and staff, and desire to serve through humility, patience, and joy. Prior work experience in childcare is preferred, and applicants must be able to successfully pass a background check.

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.

Director of Communications. The Master’s University has a full-time opening for a Director of Communications (40 hours/week). This position will set and guide the strategy for all digital and print communications including press releases, social media presence, website design, and advertising while consistently articulating the mission of TMU. This position will work most frequently with the Admissions, Athletics, Alumni, and Development offices, while providing direct leadership to the University Marketing department. Applicants should possess strong communication skills and be comfortable creating, proofing, and distributing content. Bachelor’s degree or higher required. For more information or to request an application, email HumanResources@masters.edu or call 661-362-2843.

Conferencia Expositores 2018

September 28–29 • Grace Community Church

Register at conferenciaexpositores.org

Fund a scholarship at gracechurch.org/giving

High School & Junior High Ministries

Please note that Oneighty and Xchange will not meet this morning due to construction in the basement. We will resume meeting next Sunday morning, August 26, and Bible studies will begin this Wednesday, August 22.

Russian Outreach Bible Study

August 26 • 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.

With the Lord

Julianne DeKorte recently went to be with the Lord. Please remember her family in your prayers. There will be a memorial reception on Wednesday, August 22, at 2:00 p.m. in CC130.

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

8:30 a.m.

Anchored (All ages) T360s
Pastors: Carl Hargrove,
Bill Shannon

Children's Sunday School
Visit the Welcome Center
for room locations.
Pastor: Ace Davis

Cornerstone (All ages) T370s
Pastors: Nathan Busenitz,
Hohn Cho, Mark Tatlock,
Harry Walls

Developmentally Disabled
CC 130E; Pastor: Rick McLean

GraceLife (All ages)
Family Center
Pastors: Phil Johnson,
Mike Riccardi

Junior High (Grades 7–8)
T70s (Basement)
Pastor: Jay Lennington

**Spanish Adult Sunday
School** H221-222
Teachers: Josiah Grauman,
José Soria

Spanish Worship Service
Chapel
Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,
Michael Mahoney

Steadfast (All ages) T260s
Pastor: Brian Biedebach

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

Developmentally Disabled
CC 130E; Pastor: Rick McLean

High School (Grades 9–12)
T70s (Basement)
Pastor: Josh Petras

Joint Heirs (All ages) T260s
Pastors: Tom Patton, John Street

Mainstream (All ages) T360s
Pastors: Rich Gregory,
Carlos Chung

Sojourners (All ages) T370s
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)

Visit our website at **GRACECHURCH.ORG**

Fridays 7:30 p.m.

The Guild (Single adults)
T360s
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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818-909-5593

Women
818-909-5521

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His truth in the world.*

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