

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 background of the page is a photograph of the exterior of Grace Community Church. The building features a light-colored stone wall. On the wall, the words "grace community church" are mounted in a modern, sans-serif font. The word "grace" is on the top line, "community" is on the middle line, and "church" is on the bottom line. The letters are a light color, possibly white or light grey, and are set against the stone background. The building is surrounded by lush green trees and bushes. The lighting suggests it's daytime, with some lens flare visible on the right side of the image.

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8:30 & 10:30* am

Sonata V: First Movement • Bach • Stephen Sturz, Organist

Hymn 29 *Creation Sings* • Congregation

Hymn 31 *This Is My Father's World*

Lead Me, Lord • Wesley/Bock • Worship Choir

Endless Praise • Sanborn/Rice • Worship Choir

Hymn 96 *When Morning Gilds the Skies* • Congregation

All His Benefits • Baloché-Kerr/Taylor-Hamilton • Christian Ebner

MESSAGE: **SOCIAL JUSTICE AND THE GOSPEL, PART 3**

John MacArthur • Ezekiel 18

Doxology Hymn • Congregation

Postlude from Celebrate Life • Red • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Blessed Assurance • Knapp/Grassi • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Hymn 77 *God of Grace* • Offertory

MESSAGE: **OBEDIENCE, THE FRIEND OF ASSURANCE**

Paul Twiss • 1 John 2:3–11

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

Endless Praise

Praise God in His sanctuary, praise God in His mighty firmament!
Praise God for His love and mercy, praise God for His mighty deeds.
Praise God for His exceeding greatness, praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!

With trumpet sound, strings and pipe,
With lute and harp, sounding cymbals!
With tambourine and dance, praise ye the Lord,
Praise ye the Lord!

From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung through every land, by every tongue.
Your lofty themes, ye mortals bring, in songs of praise divinely sing;
The great salvation loud proclaim, and shout for joy the Savior's name!

In every land begin the song! To every land the strains belong,
In cheerful sounds our voices raise, and fill the world with endless praise!
Praise the Lord!
Praise Him for His exceeding greatness! Praise ye the Lord!

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Words adapted from Psalm 150; music by Jan Sanborn; arranged by Mark Rice

Doxology Hymn

Hymn 86 • Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

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 **God Created the Heavens and the Earth**

PASSAGE **Genesis 1:1–2:3**

PRINCIPLE Everything God made was good.

FEATURED HYMN "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 26)

ASK YOUR CHILD What did God say about everything He had made?

APPLY By thanking God for making the heavens and the earth.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Genesis 1:1–2:3

NEXT WEEK Genesis 1:26–29; 2:7–24

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

On GraceWalk

• **Women's Ministry Fair**

On the Patio

- **Children's Ministry (Nursery)**
- **Christmas in September**
- **Korean Bible Study**
- **Spanish Ministry (by the Chapel)**
- **Walk for Life**

Bookstore

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

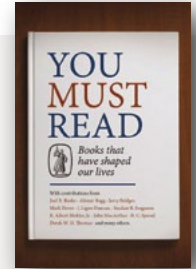
HIGHLIGHT

YOU MUST READ

Books That Have Shaped Our Lives
by John MacArthur, R.C. Sproul,
Albert Mohler, Jerry Bridges,
Sinclair Ferguson, and More

"We asked around three dozen preachers, teachers, and authors to select a book that had made an impact on their life and ministry and write a few thousand words about that book and why they thought it had been a help to them and would be a help to others." —Sinclair Ferguson

Available today for 20% off retail



Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio

Through Suffering to Triumph

- 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 Startling Servant of Jehovah"

- 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"



Community at the Cross

One of the joys of women's ministries is seeing God display His glory as He saves and sanctifies His people, knitting women together through the sweet fellowship that results when we gather together around the Word. In Titus 2, Paul gives an imperative for older women to teach younger women how to live godly lives, with the benefits of wise counsel, encouragement, admonition, and exhortation resulting from these discipleship relationships. What a wonderful opportunity to honor our Lord as we strengthen and encourage one another to walk worthy and please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God (Colossians 1:10).

Our common identity in Christ is the difference between being part of a church and any other shared activity. We gather together because Christ saved us, and our relationships with each other flow out of our identity in Him. At Grace Church, we desire that women would grow in love for the Lord by growing in the knowledge of Him through the study of Scripture, which will then produce obedience to Him in every area of life.

If you're a woman at Grace Church, there is a ministry family that is just right for you, no matter what season of life you're in or what your circumstances might be. If you're a young mother, a working professional, a widow, or even a new believer, there's a ministry home here where you can find other women who've walked the same paths of life and can encourage and strengthen you.

Some of our ministries for women focus primarily on fellowship while others emphasize Bible study, with

friendship as a sweet byproduct. Both are valuable, and both are needed: God's sovereign care for His children becomes real as women meet in smaller groups and see God's faithfulness in even the most specific details of each other's lives. When we see answered prayer and spiritual growth, we not only know but understand that Christ is supreme and sufficient—both our Savior and our Shepherd. How wonderful it is when we see His hand at work in the lives of others and remember that He is faithful to us in the same way!

Come take advantage of the many wonderful resources with which God has blessed our church. Please visit GraceWalk this morning and acquaint yourself with the many different women's ministries available. You'll see that whatever your circumstances, there is sweet fellowship and a spiritual home here for you at Grace Church.



Women's Ministry

OPPORTUNITIES

Arabic Women's Discipleship

Completas en Cristo

Every Woman's Grace

Filipino Women's Discipleship

Korean Every Woman's Grace

Mindset for Missions

One with Christ

Sojourners Women's Fellowship

T.E.A. (Teaching, Edification, and Application)

hosted by Joint Heirs

Titus Two Tuesdays

Unequally Yoked

Unidas en Cristo

Women Walking Wisely *hosted by Anchored*

Women of Worship *hosted by The GUILD*

*For information about any of these ministries,
visit gracechurch.org/women or email
women@gracechurch.org*

EVERY WOMAN'S GRACE

Wednesdays, beginning September 12 • 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

All women are invited to join us for Bible study and fellowship as we explore this year's theme, "Faithfulness."

Register online at gracechurch.org/ewg.

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**Women's Fall Event
Saturday, October 6, 2018**

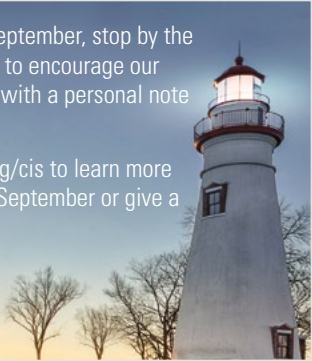
Join us as together we learn about "Women Who Worship: A Study in the Prayers and Praises of Women in the Bible," with Dr. Lisa LaGeorge. We hope to see you there!

Watch *Grace Today* for details.



On any Sunday in September, stop by the table on GraceWalk to encourage our missionary families with a personal note and a heartfelt gift.

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



Grace Around the World

The **Krazek** Family

Tomasz & Iwonka

Serving in **Poland** since **2017**



Prayer / Praise

- Praise God for a smooth transition and thank Him for providing ministry opportunities for us in Grodzisk Mazowiecki.
- Pray for wisdom for Tomasz as he helps lead the church in changing locations and establishing formal membership.

Logos Institute

Systematic Theology Series

Biblical Doctrine 101: Introduction to Theology and the Doctrine of Scripture

September 17–October 22 (Mondays) • 6:30–8:00pm

Instructor: Michael Wurtz • Cost \$50

Biblical Doctrine 104: God, the Holy Spirit, and Angels

September 10–October 15 (Mondays) • 6:30–8:00pm • Instructor: Eric Dodson • Cost \$50

Jonah: God's Outrageous Mercy

September 17–October 22 (Mondays) • 6:30–8:00pm • Instructor: Herald Gandhi • Cost \$50

Saturday Seminar

Wonderful Counselor: The Practical Nature of the Humanity of Christ

Saturday, September 15 • 9:00am–Noon • Instructor: Kris Brackett • Cost \$25

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

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$9,613**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

Korean Outreach Bible Study

한글성경공부가 9월16일 시작됩니다.

주제: 바울의 삶과 전도여행

September 16 • 12:30 p.m. • H221–222

If you or someone you know is a Korean speaker who would benefit from biblical fellowship, please join us on the first and third Sunday of each month. Lunch and childcare are provided. For more information, call Jong Yi at 818-634-5987 or Sung Hyun Kim at 818-585-9200, or email koreanfellowship@gracechurch.org.

Student Ministries Parent Morning

September 23 • 10:30 a.m.–Noon • Family Center

Parents of high school and junior high students are invited to join us for a morning of fellowship, ministry updates, and special seminars on topics related to parenting teens.

Volunteers Needed

Children's Ministry has an urgent need for Sunday School and nursery volunteers. For more information, please email childrens@gracechurch.org or call 818-909-5631.

Conferencia Expositores 2018

September 28–29 • Grace Community Church

Register at conferenciaexpositores.org

Fund a scholarship at gracechurch.org/giving

Joint Heirs Ladies TEA Teaching, Edification, Application

Monday, September 10 • 7:00 p.m. • T260s • Speaker: Janelle McLean

All women are welcome.

Walk for Life

Supporting the Open Arms Pregnancy Center

Saturday, October 13 | 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. • First Baptist Church, Canoga Park

Stop the table on GraceWalk this morning to register and pick up a sponsor pledge form. For more information, visit WithOpenArms.org/events.

Parent Dedication October 7

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 September 28 by emailing childrens@gracechurch.org

Grace Evangelism

September 23–November 25 (Sunday mornings) • 8:30 or 10:30 a.m.

Grace Evangelism is an eight-week, interactive evangelism training course designed to equip believers with a clear, understandable, and faithful gospel message. Learn the vital components of the gospel, the implications of a God-centered message, and how to proclaim the gospel faithfully. For more information or to register, stop by the Local Outreach table on GraceWalk this morning or call 818-909-5721.

Sojourners Women's Fellowship

Thursday, September 20 • 9:30–11:30 a.m. • T270s

Guest Speaker: Barbara Webb • Topic: "Joy in the Journey"

Childcare for children pre-K and younger by reservation. All women are welcome. Call 818-887-9717 for more information.

With the Lord

Doug Hughes and Agnes Lacsamana 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

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

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