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PASTOR-TEACHER

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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

Sonata I (3rd movement) • Bach • Organ Prelude

Hymn 125 Come, Christians, Join to Sing • Congregation

God Be in My Head • Rutter • Worship Choir

Sun of My Soul • Trad./Fettke • Worship Choir

Hymn 213 My Hope Is in the Lord • Congregation

Amazing Grace • Trad./Erb • Grace Chung; Clayton Erb, Piano

MESSAGE: GOD AND GOD ALONE, PART 2

Steve Lawson • Exodus 20:1-3

Communion

If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee • Bach • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Blessed Assurance • Knapp • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Bill Shannon

Hymn 25 The Perfect Wisdom of Our God • Offertory

MESSAGE: RAHAB: FAITH THAT SAVES

Austin Duncan • Hebrews 11:29–31

Postlude

Anthems

God Be in My Head

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in mine heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

Words from Sarum Primer (1538); music by John Rutter

Sun of My Soul

Sun of my soul, Sun of my soul; Jesus. Thou Savior dear.

Sun of my soul, Thou Savior dear, It is not night if Thou be near; O may no earthborn cloud arise To hide Thee from Thy servant's eyes.

Abide with me from morn 'til eve, For without Thee I cannot live. Abide with me when night is nigh, For without Thee I dare not die.

Come near and bless us when we wake, E're through the world our way we take, 'Til, in the ocean of Thy love, We lose ourselves in heav'n above.

Words by John Keble (1820); music from Katholisches Gesangbuch (1774); arranged by Tom Fettke

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

^{*} 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.

Next Membership Class • August 4 101 • 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.

SUNDAYS IN JULY BOOKSTORE

Every Sunday this month, be sure to visit the pop-up bookstore in the Grace Grill, featuring... Recommended titles from each seminar A discount section with select titles available for up to 70% off retail A complimentary book, Paul's Vision for the Deacons by Alexander Strauch, with any **Grace Books** purchase Open before and after both Sunday morning services

Generations of Grace Children's Sunday School

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



MESSAGE Review Sunday

PASSAGE Leviticus 16:29-34

PRINCIPLE God's holiness requires a sacrifice for sin

FEATURED HYMN "Holy, Holy, Holy" (Hymns of Grace No. 48)

Why did Israel need the sacrifices? ASK YOUR CHILD

By worshiping God through obedience.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Leviticus 16:29–34

NEXT WEEK Numbers 11:1-12:16

Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio

The Battle for the Beginning

- 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

"A Tale of Two Sorrows"

• NRBTV CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

ONLINE atv.ora

- 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"

BREAKING THE CHAINS

AN INTERVIEW WITH FRANK MASTROLONARDO, ONLY HOPE PRISON MINISTRIES

"Anyone with sin in their life has chains on their soul; it doesn't matter which side of the bars you're on."

Frank Mastrolonardo (of Only Hope Prison Ministries) serves in the Los Angeles County jails by overseeing chaplains and facilitating ministry to more than 17,000 inmates. Only Hope Prison Ministries' mission is to preach the gospel and equip Christ-honoring chaplains and volunteers nationwide to evangelize and disciple men and women who are or have been incarcerated.

I was a pastor for fourteen years, and my daughter was murdered at age twenty. I did something I told my congregation never to do. I told them, "Be sure that you're reading in God's Word and praying daily." Basically, Christ says, "I am the Vine; you are the branches...apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:5)—but I didn't do that. After the loss of my daughter, I gravitated back to some of my worldly friends, and I ended up getting myself in a lot of trouble. But I've been convicted by the hand of God, and I am going to spend the rest of my days walking with Him.

"This is just one of many testimonies from people who've repented and submitted their lives to Christ in prison. It's easy to think about ministries like this and kind of distance yourself from what's happening—but the reality is, aren't we all in that state without Christ? These men and women are paying an earthly price behind bars, but all sin is destructive. No matter who we meet as Christians, we preach salvation from sin through Jesus Christ, who offers forgiveness to anyone who would trust in Him."

"Along with our weekly Sunday services, Bible studies, and counseling sessions, I also have the opportunity to go in at other times throughout the week and bring a roll cart with biblical resources— MacArthur Study Bibles, Fundamentals of the Faith, tracts, and books—and I'll have a stack of inmate requests. Unlike what people think, we don't have a captive audience, but we do have inmates who put in requests to see a chaplain. So we go every week and make these resources available. But, more importantly, we make ourselves available—to talk, pray, and develop relationships with these men and women in very desperate circumstances.

We hope you'll consider partnering with us as we seek to bring the gospel to the "least" in our immediate community (Matthew 25:40). If you're interested in learning more about prison ministry and the evangelistic work God is doing, visit onlyhopeprisonministries.com.



Sundays ■ JULY

TODAY

8:30 a.m.

The Rose Called Forgiveness and the Thorns That Stumble Us George Sanders, Family Center 1

Is Psychology the Answer to Your Problems?

Bill Shannon, Family Center 2

RESET Grace-based Living David Murray, Family Center 3

Marriage or Singleness

Which Is the Better Gift? Part 1 Carlos Chung, T260s

Don't Be Alarmed, Be Ready!

The Christian's Conduct in a Hostile World

Brian Milam, T360s

iParenting

Thinking Biblically About Technology, Social Media, and Your Kids

Nathan Busenitz, T370s

Psicología y consejería bíblica

¿Cuál es la diferencia?

Jonathan Tucker, H221–222

10:30 a.m.

Discernment in an Age of Identity Politics

Hohn Cho, Family Center 1

Evangelizing Your Child

Rich Harasick, Family Center 2

The Body of Christ

Baptism and Membership in the Local Church

Jay Lennington, Family Center 3

The Testimony of a Wicked Man

The Humbling of Nebuchadnezzar Chris Hamilton, T260s

The Art of Application

How to Make Better Applications When Reading Your Bible Abner Chou, T370s

¿Fantasía o realidad?

El contentamiento en la vida cristiana Eduardo Izquierdo, H221–222 **NEXT WEEK**

8:30 a.m.

teaching options across campus

An opportunity to fellowship and explore

How to Use Your Smart Phone for Bible Study

George Crawford, Family Center ${\bf 1}$

Is There Anything Wrong with Me or My Self-Esteem?

Bill Shannon, Family Center 2

The Gospel and Extreme Poverty

Ministry in the World's Second-Poorest Country Carlan Wendler, Family Center 3

Marriage or Singleness

Which Is the Better Gift? Part 2 Carlos Chung, T260s

Providence in Pain

Making Sense of Suffering Carl Hargrove, T370s

El reino de Dios, la justicia social y la misión de la iglesia

Entendiendo la controversia actual Josué Pineda, H221–222 10:30 a.m.

Understanding and Helping the Suicidal

Don Carr, Family Center 1

The Physiology of the Church Spiritual Gifts and the Body of Christ

Jon Scott, Family Center 2

Social Justice Q&A

Hohn Cho, Carl Hargrove Family Center 3

Planning Ahead

Preparing Now to Parent Adult Children Chris Hamilton, T260s

Of Goads and Nails

The Pessimism of Ecclesiastes Will Varner, T370s

El significado de la Biblia es la Biblia

Principios fundamentales de interpretación

José Soria, H221-222

Today's Guest Speaker

Steve Lawson serves as president of OnePassion Ministries (onepassionministries.org) and Professor of Preaching at The Master's Seminary. A graduate of Texas Tech University, Dallas Theological Seminary, and Reformed Theological Seminary, Dr. Lawson also serves on the board of directors of The Master's University and Seminary and as a teaching fellow with Ligonier Ministries, where he also serves as a board member. He and his wife, Anne, have four children.



SHORT-TERM MINISTRIES HIGHLIGHT

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



Team Philippines July 24-August 4

Team Members Ty Nickelberry (team leader), Joseph Budinsky, Edgar Mendoza, Aimee Nicolas, Christine Pamplona, Lyndraice Papa, Rachael Perkins

Host Allan Luciano

Ministry Evangelism Training, Church Support

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave \$40,896. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

Castaic Jail Ministry

Every Sunday, members from Grace Church go to the North County Correctional Facility in Castaic to proclaim the gospel. Inmates are supplied with paperback Bibles provided by the Gideons, and if they complete a Fundamentals of the Faith class, they receive a *MacArthur Study Bible*. For more information, call 818-909-5721, or visit gracechurch.org/local.

Volunteers Needed

Sundays • 10:30 a.m.

Children's Ministries is looking for volunteers to serve with special needs children on Sunday mornings. For more information, email tsinclair@gracechurch.org or call 818-909-5578.

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.

Good Neighbors

As a courtesy to our neighbors, please avoid parking in front of the houses surrounding Grace Church. Instead, use one of the designated parking lots. If street parking is unavoidable, we urge you to be especially attentive to and considerate of our neighbors' comfort and property.

Grace Church Connection

Keep current with what's new around Grace Church each month. To subscribe to our monthly email update, visit gracechurch.org/news.

Let the peoples praise You, O God; Let all the peoples praise You.

—Psalm 67:5

Regen 2019

High School Summer Camp July 25–31

Remember to pray for Camp Regen this week. It's not too late to provide a scholarship at gracechurch.org/180.

The Master's University

Summer Sports Camps for Kids

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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.



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

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, Santiago Armel

Spanish Worship Service Chapel

Pastors: Henry Tolopilo, Michael Mahoney, Josiah Grauman

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 CC130F

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 Pastors: William Varner, Joe Zhakevich

Spanish Adult Sunday School H221-222

Teachers: Rubén Pidal, José Martínez, Josué Pineda

Spanish Worship Service Chapel Pastors: Henry Tolopilo, Michael Mahoney, Josiah Grauman

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)

Mondays 9:00 a.m. Monday Morning Prayer

Monday Morning Prayer Group Welcome Center

Building Abbreviation Key

T = Tower H = Heritage CC = Children's Center

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