

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.



8:30 & 10:30* am

Fugue in G • Bach • Stephen Sturz, Organist

Hymn 47 Tell Out, My Soul • Congregation

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship • Moore/Rice • Brass Ensemble, Organ

I Sing the Mighty Power of God • Trad./Kirkland • Worship Choir

Hymn 31 This Is My Father's World • Congregation

MESSAGE: **DOES THE BIBLE PERMIT A WOMAN TO PREACH?**
John MacArthur • 1 Corinthians 14:33–38

Doxology Hymn • Congregation

Gloria • Dupré • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Give to Our God Immortal Praise • Hatton • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Jay Lennington

Merciful God • Getty-Townsend • Offertory

MESSAGE: **ORDINARY LIVES, EXTRAORDINARY FAITH**
Paul Twiss • 1 John 5:1–5

Postlude

Instrumental Praise

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

Brethren we have met to worship
And adore the Lord our God;
Will you pray with all your power,
While we try to preach the Word?
All is vain unless the Spirit
Of the Holy One comes down;
Brethren, pray, and holy manna
Will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely,
Let us love each other too;
Let us love and pray for sinners
Till our God makes all things new.
Then He'll call us home to heaven,
At His table we'll sit down;
Christ will gird Himself and serve us
With sweet manna all around.

Words by George Atkins (1819); music by William Moore (1825)

Doxology Hymn

Hymn 354 The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation,
By Spirit and the Word;
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

* 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.

Generations of Grace Children's Sunday School

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



MESSAGE **God Judges Achan's Sin**

PASSAGE **Joshua 7**

PRINCIPLE Believers must turn from sin because of God's holiness

FEATURED HYMN "O Worship the King" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 135)

ASK YOUR CHILD How was God's holiness revealed in this lesson?

APPLY By being aware of areas where you are tempted.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Joshua 7

NEXT WEEK Joshua 23:1–24:29

On GraceWalk

- Adoption Awareness
- Fundamentals of the Faith
- Local Outreach

On the Patio

- Women's Fall Event
- 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

PASSIONS OF THE HEART

by John Street

"This is an incredibly important book for biblical counseling—this book can instruct the reader to develop good devotional and Bible-reading habits to overcome the temptations of sin in all areas of life."

—Bill Shannon

"A masterpiece. An invaluable resource." —Ted Tripp

"Solid biblical understanding of this increasingly common problem." —Wayne Mack

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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"

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



The Heart of Adoption

LOCAL OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Think about the family.

Family is a foundational creation from God. So much so that the family is found in God describing Himself: there is God the Father, and there is God the Son. In a similar way, family is the central unit of the church. God speaks of the church as being the children of God; the building blocks of a house build on

the rock (1 Corinthians 3:11), and He speaks of Christ not being ashamed to call us brothers. The picture of the family is interwoven throughout Scripture. What an amazing model for us to imitate!

However, there is one aspect of the family that is often overlooked: adoption.

The Bible tells believers that they have been grafted into the family of God. Paul says that God “predestined us to adoption as sons, through Jesus Christ, to Himself” (Ephesians 1:5). No believer was born into the family of God. We were far from God, but we have been adopted into God’s family. Galatians 4:5 says that Jesus was sent so “that we might receive the adoption as sons.”

The idea of adoption is central to the very truth of salvation. The two are inseparable. We might not think of this often, but the act of regeneration, being born again, is adoption on a divine scale. This is why, as children of God and active members of an eternal church family, we must never have adoption far from our hearts. To embrace adoption is to embrace what God has done for us; loving adoption is to love what matters to the Lord.

For some, this means adopting—walking in faith that God has brought a young life to you, to care and love as your own. For others, it means bringing foster children into your home who may have never known a loving, stable family. And yet for others it means supporting by financially giving to those who add a child to their family through adoption and praying for and with those who are grafting branches into their family tree.

As a church, we need to focus on that which we have most in common—an heirship with Christ. Let that drive us to never lose sight of how we gained so great a salvation. ■



November is Adoption Awareness Month

Today–November 17 • Information Tables

Several adoption/foster agencies will have representatives and information on the patio after both morning services.

November 17 • 12:30–3:00 p.m. • Seminar & Lunch

Join us for an informational seminar and lunch on the third floor of the Tower Building. To help us plan effectively, please sign up at the patio table this morning, or email handsforhope@gracechurch.org.

For more information about adoption and foster care, stop by the tables on the patio this morning or visit gracechurch.org/handsforhope.

THANK YOU

On behalf of Grace to You and the thousands of people you ministered to, thank you for making the Truth Matters conference a reality. Whatever your role during the conference, you have enriched many lives through your labor, born out of love for the Lord and His church.

As a token of our gratitude, Grace to You is pleased to give you a free copy of *One Foundation*, a new book presented to Pastor John in honor of his fiftieth anniversary at Grace Church and with Grace to You.

You'll receive yours as you leave the Worship Center this morning. One book per family, please. Thank you again for your faithfulness.

GRACE
to You

WE STAND AMAZED!

A Glimpse into the Heavenslies

NOVEMBER 16, 2019

Grace Community Church | Women's Fall Event

Speaker: Logan Carr | Cost: \$20 (includes lunch)

Register at gracechurch.org/women

Childcare is available for this event.

Grace Around the World

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Prayer / Praise

- Praise the Lord for the unity in our church that comes from growing in grace and the knowledge of Christ.
- Pray that God would provide more opportunities to evangelize the lost in our community.

For more information visit gracechurch.org/sacp.

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$8,439**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

Russian Outreach Bible Study

November 10 • 12:30–2:30 p.m. • CC230s

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.

Monthly Missions Meeting

Hosted by the Elders' Council Handling Outreach (ECHO)

Tuesday, November 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 Bruce Alvord (Ukraine) and Johnny Gravino (Italy).

Primary Christmas Party

Saturday, December 7 • 9:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. • CC130

All first–third-grade children (and friends of the same age) are invited to celebrate the Savior's birth. Bring a small sack lunch (drinks and dessert will be provided) and canned goods for needy families. Game-appropriate attire, please (no dresses). Call 818-909-5631 for more information.

Titus 2 Tuesday

This month's topic: "A Spiritual Appetite"

November 12 • 7:00 p.m.

All women are invited to join us as we consider two beatitudes from the Sermon on the Mount: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness," and "Blessed are the pure in heart." We meet at homes in Encino, Glendale, Northridge, Pasadena, Shadow Hills, Simi Valley, Stevenson Ranch, and Torrance. For specific meeting locations and RSVP information, please visit gracechurch.org/t2t or email gcctitus2@icloud.com.

Grace Church Podcasts

Visit gracechurch.org/podcasts for a complete catalog of Grace Church teaching audio available for subscription today.

One with Christ

Monday, November 4 • 9:30 a.m. • CC130

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

Sojourners Women's Fellowship

Topic: "Thankfully Anchored in a Fearless Faith"

Thursday, November 14 • 9:30–11:30 a.m. • T270s

Speaker: Shirley Mollica

Childcare for children pre-K and younger by reservation (at least two days in advance). All women are welcome. Call 818-887-9717 for more information.

MUSIC AT MASTER'S FALL PRELUDE 2019

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NOV 10-11

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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 Wallis

Developmentally Disabled
CC130E
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
CC130E
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
Group**
Welcome Center

Building Abbreviation Key

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

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Logos Institute
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818-909-5644

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