

GRACE TODAY

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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

Sonata I: Movement III • Bach • Steven Sturz, Organist

Hymn 327 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name • Congregation

Hymn 326 Come, Thou Almighty King

If You Will Only Let God Guide You • Neumark/Rice • Brass Ensemble, Organ

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven • Andrews/Hayes-Marsh • Worship Choir

Hymn 1 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above • Congregation

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah • Hughes/Erb-Rice • Men's Quartet

MESSAGE: **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT, PART 3**

John MacArthur • Romans 8

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

6:00 pm

Crown Him with Many Crowns • Elvey • Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism

Hymn 184 Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery • Offertory

MESSAGE: **DOCTRINAL CLARITY ON GOD'S JUSTICE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

Brian Biedebach • Matthew 25:31–46

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

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul; praise my soul The King of heaven!

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, To His feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore His praises sing;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish; Blows the wind and it is gone;
But, while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the high Eternal One.

Oh, my soul, praise God above. Oh, my soul, praise the Lord,
Oh, how my soul praises the Lord. Oh, how my soul will praise the Lord.

Angels in the height, adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face;
Saints triumphant, bow before Him; Gathered in from ev'ry race;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.
Amen! Amen! Amen!

Words by Henry Francis Lyte (1834); music by Robert Brown-Borthwick; arranged by Mark Hayes

Doxology Hymn

Hymn 319 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what You do love, And do what You would do.
Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure,
Until my will is one with Yours, To do and to endure.

Breath on me, Breath of God, 'Til I am wholly Thine,
'Til this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.
Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I never die,
But live with You the perfect life Of Your eternity.

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 • March 1
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 Between David and Saul**

PASSAGE **1 Samuel 24**

PRINCIPLE God's Word is the standard of right and wrong.

FEATURED HYMN "May the Mind of Christ My Savior" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 377)

ASK YOUR CHILD Why did David not kill Saul when he had the opportunity?

APPLY By trusting Scripture over the advice of other people

THIS WEEK As a family, read 1 Samuel 24

NEXT WEEK 2 Samuel 1:1–2:7

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.

HIGHLIGHT

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GOD

by John MacArthur

"MacArthur's skillful exposition of Isaiah 53 brings us face to face with the gospel of Christ crucified." —Joel Beeke

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

SAVED, SANCTIFIED AND SERVING

PRAYING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

At Grace Community Church, our high school ministry is saturated with the Word of God. In both preaching and small group settings, the Word is central to everything we do. This focus comes from three goals that drive our ministry. For all our teachers and small group leaders, the following priorities motivate all our work with students.

SAVED—DO THEY KNOW CHRIST?

Our goal in high school ministry is not simply to help teenagers become good kids. To be clear, we also don't want them to set any buildings on fire. But when we say our biggest concern isn't that we'd have "good kids," we are asserting that our primary concern goes further than creating moralists. It is possible to be a "good kid" without being a Christian.

Because our primary concern is true conversion, we proclaim the gospel frequently in high school ministry. We pray that students would recognize their sin (Matthew 5:3) and trust fully in the work of Christ on the cross for forgiveness. We exhort these young people not to root their righteousness in their own works, but to hope in the better righteousness offered by Jesus (Philippians 3:9). We aspire to see transformed lives, where students go from being slaves of sin to being obedient to God from the heart (Romans 6:17).

SANCTIFIED—ARE THEY BECOMING LIKE CHRIST?

The apostle Paul's heart was to see believers conformed to the image of Christ (Galatians 4:19). Those who have trusted in Jesus work out their salvation (Philippians 2:12) by pursuing holiness, "without which

no one will see the Lord” (Hebrews 12:14). Believers are called to put off the deeds of the old man and to put on the new self (Ephesians 4:22–24).

While the world mocks and downplays holiness, we want our students to hear God’s message regarding sanctification. We speak often of the need for the believer to put sin to death (Romans 8:13). Because of the deceitfulness of sin (Hebrews 3:13), our small group times and preaching aim to help students identify sin. Ultimately, we want our teenagers to learn that obedience is not a means to earn salvation, but rather a love for holiness that stems from love for the Savior who bought them out of sin (John 14:15).

SERVING—HAVE THEY JOINED THE MISSION OF CHRIST?

Finally, our passion in high school ministry is to see young believers become zealous for fruitful ministry in the local church and in the world around them. All Christians are saved to serve and do the work of ministry (Ephesians 2:10, 4:12). Young believers are needed for both the building up of the body (1 Peter 4:10) and evangelizing the lost (Matthew 28:19).

In our ministry, we provide training to help our young people proclaim the gospel to the lost people God has placed in their lives. We also exhort students to serve in the local church, and encourage them to participate wherever they can. When every believer selflessly functions within the body, the end result is that our church better portrays the glory of our great God.

Here’s the reality: we cannot produce any of these things in our own strength. There is no formula we can follow and no perfect teaching schedule we can develop. But for each of these priorities, God must be the one to work. He alone can save, sanctify, and equip the teenagers of our church.

So pray for our high school students. As the Word is shared regularly, pray that God would make dead hearts come to life. Pray that He would create a zeal for holiness. And pray that He would cultivate faithful servants of His church. God alone can do this, and He alone deserves the glory. ●

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

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Shepherds' Conference

Prayer Cards

Prayer cards listing conference attendees are available at the Welcome Center this morning. Pick up a card and pray for our guests by name in the days leading up to the conference.

Parking Restriction

Sunday, March 1

Please note that the entire east side of the main parking lot (behind the Tower building and Family Center) will be closed to accommodate preparation for the conference.

Scholarships

For information about providing a scholarship for the 2020 Shepherds' Conference, visit gracechurch.org/scholarship.

Sunday School Volunteers

Children's Ministry has an urgent need for Sunday School volunteers during the 10:30 a.m. service. If you are interested in serving, please pick up an application at the Welcome Center. For additional information, email childrens@gracechurch.org.

The Creation Summit

Uncovering Israel: Archaeology in the Time of the Kings

Saturday, February 29 • The Master's University

Includes general and technical sessions. Register at masters.edu/creationsummit.

Grace Around the World

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Prayer / Praise

- Pray that the Lord would bring more faithful workers into the prison/jail ministry.
- Pray that our team would serve with humility.

For more information visit gracechurch.org/mastrotonardo.

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$9,121**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

The Master's Kids Informational Meeting

Tuesday, March 31 • 10 a.m.–Noon • T270s

Attendance gives you priority for the 2020–2021 class. To sign up for childcare (five years and younger), contact Beth Voorheis, program director, by March 24 at bvoor@sbcglobal.net. Please include your child's name and birthdate.

TMK is a Bible-based kindergarten-prep program for moms and kids starting kindergarten in fall 2021.

Job Opportunities

Accountant. Accounting has a full-time opening for an accountant for Grace Ministries International. Duties include maintaining the general ledger, preparing journals, processing payroll, administering grants, and preparing financial reports in Excel format. Additional duties include acting as a liaison with Short-Term Ministries and doing general office work as assigned. Requires a bachelor's degree and a minimum of two years' experience in the field or related area. Strong Excel skills an advantage, basic knowledge of accounting and tax concepts and practices required.

Content Editor. Adventure Club has a part-time opening (29 hours/week) for a content editor. Responsibilities include proof-reading, editing, organizing, modifying, and updating the content of Adventure Club curriculum. This position requires familiarity with children's curriculum for ages 3–11, a strong grasp of proper sentence structure, and the ability to manage a busy workload and meet strict deadlines.

Nursery Supervisor. Grace Church currently has several part-time openings (5–10 hours/week) for nursery workers on Wednesdays and Sundays. 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 preferred, and must be able to pass a background check successfully.

All 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 Human Resources at HR@gracechurch.org or 818-909-5672.

Open Arms Pregnancy Clinic Volunteer Training

Friday, February 28, 6:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, February 29, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

For more information or to register, email clientservices@openarmspregnancy.com.

Men of the Word Q&A with Costi Hinn

Wednesday, February 26 • 7:00–8:45 p.m. • Worship Center

Join us for this exciting opportunity to hear from Costi Hinn, pastor of Redeemer Bible Church in Gilbert, Arizona, and author of *God, Greed, and the (Prosperity) Gospel*.

For more information about Men of the Word, visit gracechurch.org/motw.

Unequally Yoked

Tuesday, February 25

Bible study primarily for women married to unbelieving husbands. For information, call 818-909-5521.

Alzheimer's–Dementia Ministry

Saturday, February 29 • 9:00 a.m. • CC130s

Families touched by dementia are invited to meet monthly for spiritual encouragement, helpful shepherding, and warm fellowship over a light breakfast. Loved ones with dementia are welcome. If you are bringing your loved one, please call Pastor Rick McLean 818-909-5519.

With the Lord

Jay Hanson recently went to be with the Lord. Please remember his family in your prayers. A memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, February 29, at noon in the Chapel.

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
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
Pastor: Rich Gregory

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)

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818-909-5500

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818-909-5631

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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

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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