

GRACE TODAY

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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

I Know that My Redeemer Lives • Hatton/Sturz • Steven Sturz, Organist

Hymn 113 Join All the Glorious Names • Congregation

Hymn 110 Thine Is the Glory

O Worship the King • Haydn/Rice • String Ensemble, Woodwinds

Lord, I Believe • Keister/Huff • Worship Choir

Hymn 47 Tell Out, My Soul • Congregation

Were It Not for Grace • Hamilton-McHugh • John Martin

MESSAGE: **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT, PART 4**

John MacArthur • Romans 8

Doxology Hymn • Congregation

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners • Prichard/William • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him • Prichard/Billingsley
Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Hymn 208 My Ransom • Offertory

MESSAGE: **HOW TO PRAY FOR GOSPEL PROGRESS**

Carl Hargrove • Colossians 4:2–4

Postlude

Anthem

Lord, I Believe

Lord, I believe in one God, Father Almighty, Maker of all.
And I believe in Lord Jesus, only begotten Son of God;
And I believe in Your Holy Spirit, the Giver of all life,
Proceeding from the Father and the Son all glorified.

I believe Jesus came in the flesh, conceived of God, virgin born.
He conquered death, rose again; now His kingdom has no end.

Lord, I believe in one body born of Your Spirit, baptized in You.
I'm looking for the resurrection; I've been forgiven to reign with You.
Yes, I know You will come again, Lord, to judge the quick and the dead;
And I believe I shall live forevermore just like You said.

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He conquered death, rose again; now His kingdom has no end.

Lord, I believe I shall live forevermore just like You said.
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*Words adapted by Alice Keister from the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed; music by Shane Keister;
arranged by Ronn Huff*

Doxology Hymn

Hymn 80 How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure;
That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory.

* 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 Makes David King**

PASSAGE **2 Samuel 1:1–2:7**

PRINCIPLE God's plan includes the death of the righteous and the wicked.

FEATURED HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 2)

ASK YOUR CHILD How did David react to the deaths of Saul and Jonathan?

APPLY By praying for the salvation of unbelievers.

THIS WEEK As a family, read 2 Samuel 1:1–2:7

NEXT WEEK 2 Samuel 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.

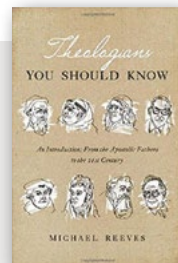
HIGHLIGHT

THEOLOGIAN YOU SHOULD KNOW

by Michael Reeves

Introducing you to the lives and thought of figures such as the apostolic fathers, Justin Martyr, Augustine, Thomas Aquinas, Martin Luther, John Calvin, and others, this book makes the writings of these significant theologians accessible and approachable—opening up for you the riches of church history and enlarging your vision of God and his plan for the world.

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- John MacArthur's sermons: audio, video, and transcripts
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Adapted from the Generations of Grace Family Devotional, available at the bookstore.

DOCTRINAL CLARITY FOR A CONFUSED GENERATION

It's no secret: we live in a world dominated by a lack of clarity. Whether it is over the definition of gender or the value of an unborn child, the world has fallen into a state of confusion. And behind it all is the lie of postmodernism: the idea that there is no such thing as objective truth. Echoing the words of Pontius Pilate, the modern man cynically asks, "What is truth?" (John 18:38). The very idea has become an antiquated concept.

Tragically, this kind of thinking has deeply permeated contemporary Christianity. Though many of us consider, however naively, evangelicalism to be immune to such ideology, the church has come to be shaped more by the world than the Word. For the sake of remaining relevant, pastors have set the Word of God aside, choosing rather to feed their hungry flocks with cute anecdotes and casual "talks." Starving and malnourished, God's people "long for the pure milk of the Word, so that by it [they] may grow in respect to salvation" (1 Peter 2:2). There is such a thing as truth, and God's Word is it.

The church is hemorrhaging, and only the clear application of God's Word will stop it. That is why the 2020 Shepherds' Conference theme is, "Twenty Twenty Vision: Doctrinal Clarity for a Confused Generation." Following our pastor's lead, the speakers will address critical issues facing the church today

TWENTY TWENTY VISION



SHEPHERDS' CONFERENCE
MARCH 4-6, 2020

from a biblical perspective. We need clarity, not confusion, and we need to mobilize a generation of leaders to boldly confront error with the truth of God's Word.

You play a huge role in that endeavor. More than 800 members of our church family have selflessly volunteered their time, energy, and resources to serve at this year's Shepherds' Conference. What a remarkable testimony of the fruit of God's Spirit in His people.

But even if you are not able to volunteer in this way, you still play a pivotal role in the mission of Grace Church and the Shepherds' Conference. By joining in prayer, you are sustaining and strengthening the efforts of the volunteers, speakers, and attendees. To that end, please visit the Welcome Center this morning and pick up a prayer card. Each card holds the names of five attendees. Our goal is to pray for all the attendees by name, asking the Lord to bless their time at the conference and praying that the Word would produce a fruitful harvest in the hearts and lives of these men. It is a great joy to be able to tell the men when they arrive that our church has been praying for them by name.

We also invite you to view the conference sessions via livestream at shepherdsconference.org. Please note that in order to best accommodate and serve our nearly 3,000 attendees, the campus will be closed to non-attendees throughout the week.

As "the church of the living God" we stand as "a pillar and buttress of the truth" (1 Timothy 3:15). What a glorious calling we've received from our Lord and Savior! We encourage you to participate in this exciting endeavor as you lift your voices to God in prayer. ●

LIVE STREAM SCHEDULE

Be sure to visit shepherdsconference.org for live streaming of all twelve general sessions plus three lunchtime seminar sessions.

Wednesday, March 4

10:00 a.m.	General Session 1	John MacArthur
12:30 p.m.	Lunch Seminar	H.B. Charles
1:30 p.m.	General Session 2	Austin Duncan
3:30 p.m.	General Session 3	Paul Twiss
6:00 p.m.	General Session 4	H.B. Charles

Thursday, March 5

10:00 a.m.	General Session 5	Phil Johnson
12:30 p.m.	Lunch Seminar	Steven Lawson
1:30 p.m.	General Session 6	Abner Chou
3:30 p.m.	General Session 7	Conrad Mbewe
6:00 p.m.	General Session 8	Paul Washer

Friday, March 6

10:00 a.m.	General Session 9	Nathan Busenitz
12:30 p.m.	Lunch Seminar	Paul Washer
1:30 p.m.	General Session 10	Steven Lawson
3:30 p.m.	General Session 11	Michael Riccardi
7:00 p.m.	General Session 12	John MacArthur

Shepherds' Conference

Prayer Cards

Prayer cards listing conference attendees are available at the Welcome Center this morning. Be a part of this important ministry, pick up a card, and pray for our guests by name in the days leading up to the conference.

Scholarships

It's not too late to provide a scholarship for the 2020 Shepherds' Conference. For more information, visit gracechurch.org/scholarship.

Volunteers

As we look forward to this year's conference, please remember to pray for the 865 volunteers who will be serving our guests—pray for strength, joy, and a spirit of hospitality that will bring glory to God and encourage every person who comes onto our church campus.

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.

Daylight Saving

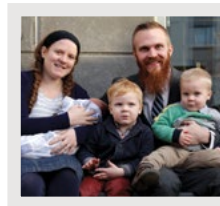
Daylight Saving Time begins March 8. Remember to set your clocks forward one hour.

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- Praise the Lord for our new, weekly Finnish-speaking service (in addition to the English service).
- Pray for our local church's ministries—weekly meetings, online sermons, and book publications.

For more information visit gracechurch.org/wilhelmsson.

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$6,028**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

Russian Outreach Bible Study

March 8 • 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.

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.

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.

CIS Chair. The Master's University has a full-time opening for the chair of the Computer and Information Science Department. In addition to instructional responsibilities, the chair will provide leadership to the department, driving innovation in learning and programs. This position requires a master's degree in computer science or related field, as well as a minimum of three years of industry experience. For more information, visit masters.edu/employment.

*Who is a God like You, who pardons iniquity
And passes over the rebellious act of the remnant of His possession?
He does not retain His anger forever,
Because He delights in unchanging love.*

—Micah 7:18

Titus 2 Tuesday March 10 • 7:00 p.m.

Each year in March, Titus Two has the opportunity to consider biographies from some of the heroes of our Christian faith. This month, we will explore the life of Mary Slessor, a Scottish missionary who served in Calabar, West Africa, from 1876–1915. All women are welcome to join us 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.

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.

Sojourners Women's Fellowship & Fashion Exchange

Thursday, March 12 • 9:30–11:30 a.m. • T270s

Speaker: Helen Varner • Topic: "Women of Passion Week"

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.

With the Lord

Lita Guiddoti and Todd Hitzeroth 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 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
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)

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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